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VICEROY SPURNS MAHATMA'S OFFER

NO TRANSFER OF POWER TO NATIONAL GOVT. DURING WAR

On the eve of Gandhi-Jinnah meeting, New Delhi has released Gandhi-Wavell correspondence, in which the Mahatma offered concrete proposals for the solution of Indian deadlock on the basis of his interview with Mr. Gelder.

The Viceroy in his reply says that "it is impossible during the period of hostilities to bring about any change in the constitution, by which means alone a National Government could be made responsible to the Central Assembly".

TEXT OF CORRESPONDENCE

NEW DELHI, August 17.

A press note says:—

The following correspondence has passed recently between His Excellency the Viceroy and Mr. Gandhi:—

'Dilkusha' Panchgani,
15th July 1944

DEAR FRIEND,

You have no doubt seen the authentic copies, now published in the Indian Press of the statements given by me to Mr. Gelder of the 'News Chronicle.' As I have said to the Press, they were meant primarily to be shown to you. But Mr. Gelder, no doubt, with the best of motives, gave the interview premature publicity. I am sorry. The publication will nevertheless be a blessing in disguise, if the interview enables you to grant at least one of my requests contained in my letter of 17th June, 1944.

I am, Yours, etc.
M. K. GANDHI.

His Excellency the Viceroy,
Viceroy's Camp.

Viceroy's Reply

New Delhi,
22nd July, 1944.

DEAR MR. GANDHI,

Thank you for your letter of 15th July. I have seen the statements you made to Mr. Gelder and your subsequent explanation of them. I do not think I can usefully comment at present, except to repeat what I said in my last letter that if you will submit to me a definite and constructive policy, I shall be glad to consider it.

Yours, Sincerely,
WAVELL.

M. K. Gandhi, Esqr.

Mahatma's Concrete Proposal

Camp Panchgani,
27th July 1944.

DEAR FRIEND,

I must admit my disappointment over your letter of 22nd instant. But I am used to work in the face of disappointment. Here is my concrete proposal I am prepared to advise the Working Committee to declare that in view of changed conditions, Mass Civil Disobedience envisaged by the resolution of August, 1942, cannot be offered and that full co-operation in the war effort should be given by

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Lord Wavell

Gandhi-Jinnah Talks Postponed

BOMBAY, August 17.

The meeting between Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah scheduled to take place on August 19 has been postponed owing to the ill-health of Mr. Jinnah.

Mr. Jinnah has sent the following telegram today to Mahatma Gandhi:—

"Extremely sorry laid up with temperature. Doctors advise impossible meet you Saturday 19/8. Will intimate date immediately I am well enough.—JINNAH."

Malabar Hill Closed To Public During Gandhi-Jinnah Talks

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The citizens of Bombay are reminded that all public meetings and processions are banned, consequently no processions or public meetings will be permitted without the authority of the Commissioner of Police during the meeting between Mr. Gandhi and Mr. M. A. Jinnah.

They are further warned that during this meeting no crowds will be allowed to collect on Malabar Hill which will be closed to all members of the public, who do not reside in this area.

National War Front Wishes Success

CALCUTTA, Aug. 17: A resolution wishing success to the impending Gandhi-Jinnah talks in Bombay was passed at the second day's sitting of the National War Front Conference to-day, Provincial Leader, Dr. Sir A. F. Rahman presiding.

The conference adopted a number of schemes of social welfare, including that of oral propaganda, already introduced in other provinces at the instance of the Central Government.

Mr. M. R. A. Baig Central Organiser, was among those who participated in to-day's discussions. The conference adjourned till to-morrow. —A. P.

MAHATMA CANCELS BOMBAY TRIP

SEVAGRAM, (Wardha), Aug. 17: On receipt of information from Mr Jinnah's house by frunk telephone that Mr. Jinnah was down with fever and that, therefore, the proposed meeting between Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah has to be postponed, Mahatma Gandhi decided not to leave for Bombay to-morrow as he had originally intended.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari left for Bombay this evening before the news of postponement had reached Sevagram.

Mahatma Gandhi received H. E. the Viceroy's letter dated 15th August to-day.—A. P.

All Roads Lead To Paris

BOOM OF ALLIED GUNS HEARD IN FRENCH CAPITAL

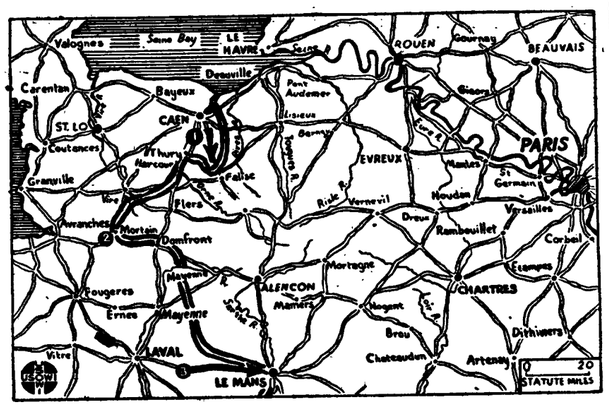
Falaise, Dreux, Orleans And Chartres Occupied

LONDON, August 17.

The German Overseas News Agency today gave this picture of Paris now threatened by the Allied armies:

"For the first time intermittent thunder of guns was heard in Paris this afternoon. The whole aspect of the French Capital is that of a frontline city. For the first time the German Command has appealed to the population to remain calm."

The Agency added that the Paris police have been absent from the streets since Tuesday owing to a strike over the appointment of a new Police Officer.



Reuter's special correspondent on the British Front in France cables:—

A senior Second Army Staff Officer declared to-day that the next 10 days in the Battle of France would be fateful and decisive. "The most reassuring thing is that the German army is completely disorganised", he added.

DREUX FALLS

BERLIN, Aug. 17: To-day's German Communique said, Dreux, 40 miles west of Paris was lost after hard fighting.

ORLEANS OCCUPIED

With the Americans on the Road to Paris: American troops have occupied Orleans and United States patrols are approaching Paris from Chartres.

Orleans was taken after negligible resistance.

Orleans is 65 miles south-west of Paris. The German News Agency also reported violent fighting to-day on roads leading from Chartres to Paris.

CHARTRES PENETRATED

The German News Agency to-day says that Allied forces have penetrated into Chartres which is 43 miles from Paris.

United States Third Army has captured Chartres and reached Dreux.

NAZI H. Q. WIPED OUT

WITH THE SECOND TACTICAL AIR FORCE IN NORMANDY, Aug. 17:—

Chateau Fontain Leabbe—believed to be an important headquarters—was wiped out last evening by three squadrons of Typhoons.

An R.A.F. Wing Commander said to-day "The attack was laid on at dinner time in the hope of catching the Staff napping"

ALLIES CLOSING IN ON PARIS

The Allies are closing in on Paris, according to the Germans to-day. All reports speak of hard fighting, as General Patton's spearheads advance over the last 40 miles to the city.

Dreux has fallen. The German 'communique' said the Allies had penetrated to Chartres, 44 miles to the south-west.

At Orleans, 65 miles to the south, which some military commentators consider more important militarily than the Capital itself, the German News Agency reported "ferocious fighting."

The German Overseas News Agency declared that three United States spearheads were driving on Paris between Chartres and Dreux.

There is still no Allied confirmation of these apparently sensational American advances.

The Two Armies Meet

SHAEF: British and United States patrols have met south of Flers.

Canadian troops have advanced up to 1,000 yards to high gound south-west of Falaise.

FALAISE OCCUPIED

Canadian troops, in a new attack east of the Falaise-Troarn line, have advanced from one to six miles. The places captured include Mezidon which is a much bombed road junction. The Allies have made a two and half miles advance in the Conde sector. The maximum distance north of Argentan which the Americans have reached is half a mile. The Germans still hold Argentan.

Reuter's special correspondent near Falaise cables:— A Canadian Army Spokesman declared:

"Falaise has been completely occupied."

The spokesman would not use the word captured, because there are still some fanatical Germans in the town engaged in sniping.

The spokesman added: "Germans have not been able to get any great amount of men or material out of the pocket. Most of what is in there is committed in the fierce fighting now going on around the contracting perimeter of the pocket."

GAINS IN NORMANDY

General Eisenhower's 'communique' to-day states:

"Allied troops have made further gains in Normandy pocket. Our forces are clearing the last enemy from the town of Falaise. East of the town heavy fighting continues. Most of the road from Falaise to Conde is in our hands and the town of Conde has been captured.—Reuter.

German Counter-Attack

BERLIN, Aug. 17: To-day German Communique said; "In Normandy our divisions prevented a breakthrough at which the enemy is striving. The Americans, continuing to attack from the area of Argentan, have been met by our panzer formations which launched a counter-attack and threw the enemy back to east and south-east. Enemy motorised forces advanced further eastwards towards the Middle Seine and south-east towards the Loire. The town of Dreux was lost after hard fighting.—Reuter.

Swift Advance In South

Important Coastal Towns Captured; Defences Silenced

LONDON, Aug. 17

A special 'communique' said that Saint Raphael has been captured. The beachhead itself now embraces about 500 square miles.

The German News Agency says that the Allies have established themselves in Cannes. The German radio reports new Allied landing "attempts" on both sides of Toulon.

SWIFT ADVANCE

The Algiers radio to-day broadcast this special 'communique' from the Mediterranean Headquarters:

"Swift advance of American and French troops inland continues. Numerous additional towns and villages have been taken. All elements of the beachhead forces have been joined to form a continuous front arcing inland with anchor points over fifty miles apart. The beachhead itself embraces some 500 square miles.

Among the more important populated centres firmly in our hands are the coastal town of San Tropez, San Maxime, Saint Raphael, Frijus and Le Lavandou and the inland towns of Le Muy, Le Luc, Lorgue and Collorbrieres.

The injunction with the strong airborne units dropped far behind the enemy lines before dawn on 'D' Day has been effected. French and American reinforcements including armour are pouring ashore. Casualties continue exceptionally light.

Major-General Alexander Patch, Commanding the Seventh Army, announces that the landings were spearheaded by three veteran American divisions. Our troops are now within ten miles of Toulon and ten miles of Cannes.

NOT SO LIGHT

Reuter's special correspondent at Advanced Allied Headquarters in the Mediterranean cables:—

Although resistance in Southern France is light, it is not as light as was thought at first, it is officially stated here today. Allied casualties have been moderate, but German losses are believed to be heavy.

Allied Advanced Headquarters communique today states:

General Sir Henry Maitland Wilson, Supreme Commander of the Allied forces in the Mediterranean theatre, with Admiral Sir John Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean fleet visited the assault area in a British destroyer on August 16.

Latest reports received from the Naval Commander on the south coast of France Vice-Admiral Hewitt, say that disembarkation of troops on various beaches is proceeding according to plan.

Convoys with reinforcements continue to arrive and empty convoys to leave.

All the seacoast defences have been silenced through effective air and naval bombardment.

Our troops continue to advance. At some points elements are seventeen kilometres (ten miles) inland. The assault forces have contacted elements of paratroopers who landed further inland. Unloadings have exceeded expectations.

The German radio reported early today morning that Allied tanks have been landed on one of the river beaches.—Reuter.

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"Big Four" Must Rule The World!

SOVIET BOMBSHELL: HULL PLAN TURNED DOWN

No International Police: Only Spheres Of Control

LONDON, August 17:—Reports from Washington suggest that Russia has thrown a diplomatic bombshell which may embarrass the United States at the Dumbarton post-war security talks next week.

It is believed in diplomatic circles that the Russian document outlining Moscow's security proposals definitely turns down Mr. Cordell Hull's plan for an all-nation "League" which would control post-war world and arbitrate on international squabbles.

The Russians are said to be first that power must be vested only in the "big four".

The Moscow view is understood to be that it is unrealistic for the sixty and odd nations to participate in the future security measures on the lines of the old League.

The Russians are also believed to be opposed to any international police force, preferring each great power to be assigned a specific task for checking possible aggression in the area allotted to it.—"United Press".

U. S. PLAN FOR PEACEFUL WORLD

WASHINGTON, Aug 16.

The United States Under Secretary of State, Mr. Edward J. Stettinius was to day presented with a six-point plan for consideration at the International Security Conference beginning next week, writes Reuter's special correspondent.

The plan which was drawn up by some 30 individuals representing leading American organisations interested in international relations provides for, firstly, the setting up at the beginning of the talks of a provisional United Nations Council.

Secondly, a democratic organisation "in the formation of which all peace-loving nations will have a voice and from which they will derive certain rights."

Thirdly agreements on the immediate and automatic use of a joint military force to prevent aggression. "We look to the eventual development of a truly international police force which might be begun as an airforce," the plan said.

"If certain strategic bases such as the Japanese mandate islands are to be occupied by forces of nations having the greatest interest in the given area, such occupation should be in the name of a broad world organisation. An imperialist struggle for bases must be avoided.

"Fourthly, the use for legal disputes of a permanent court of international justice. Fifthly, practical measures to lighten the crushing burden of armaments for peace loving peoples, and sixthly, partial dependence of peace on social and economic justice.—Reuter.

NO COERCION BY "BIG FOUR"

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17: The United States Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull in a statement here today said that the "Big Four" Powers did not contemplate coercion of the rest of the world. Mr. Hull added: "Governor Dewey can rest assured that the fears he expressed in his statement are utterly and completely unfounded." Mr. Cordell Hull said: "No arrangement such as is described by him (Dewey) which would involve a military alliance of the four major nations permanently to coerce the rest of the world is contemplated or has ever been contemplated by this Government or as far as we know by any of the other Governments."—Reuter.

Speculations About U. S. President Meeting Churchill

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17: President Roosevelt returned to the White House to-day after his 15,000-mile Pacific trip.

He stated at a Press Conference that Allied troops would drive in and occupy Germany and Japan even should resistance collapse short of the German border.

Washington sources are speculating since the President's return that he will have new meetings with Mr. Churchill to plan another major war move.

SOVIETS PIERCE GERMAN LINES

Drive Towards Southern Border Of East Prussia; Advance In Estonia

BERLIN, Aug. 17.

To-day's German 'communique' stated:—

The Soviet attacking north-west of Krosno on the approaches to the Carpathians were thrown back after making a temporary breach.

In the sectors on both sides of Virbalis, the Russians continued their breakthrough attempts.

In Estonia west of Lake Pskov, our troops continued to be engaged with the advancing Russian forces."

LONDON, Aug. 17: The German Overseas News Agency to-day quoted a Berlin military spokesman reporting further Soviet successes north of the Bialystok-Lonza railway line where the Russians are driving towards the southern border of East Prussia.

"Soviet forces, supported by many squadrons of battleplanes, launched a series of major attacks, west and south-west of Bialystok, and along the Bialystok-Lonza railway line" he said.

"After violent artillery preparation they succeeded in piercing the German lines at three points north of this railway line."

Another radio announcement said: "The Soviet yesterday resumed their drive towards East Prussia on a broad front.—Reuter.

LONDON, Aug. 17: Seven passengers were killed and 16 seriously injured when the train travelling between Gillingham and Sittingbourne Kent, left the rails after rounding a bend. The train was full to capacity, the compartments and corridors being packed.

STOP PRESS

MOSCOW, Aug. 17: (Special Dispatch from Reuter's special correspondent): A mighty Russian counter-blow is imminent on the approaches to Warsaw where fresh German attacks are being broken to the north-east and east of the city.—Reuter.

FIGHTING 25 MILES FROM PARIS

LONDON, Aug. 17

Fighting is taking place twenty-five miles from Paris, according to a German High Command report. The report said that heavy battles were taking place around Saint Arnoult. Reuter adds Saint Arnoult is about 23 miles south-west of Paris on the main road from Charires to Paris.

GERMAN RETREAT

LONDON, Aug. 17: Bill Downs, Columbia Broadcasting System Commentator, broadcasting from Normandy to-night said that the German army to-day began a new retreat on a front of 30 miles running from North of Falaise towards the Channel coast.—Reuter.

S.H.A.E.F. STATEMENT

S.H.A.E.F., August 17: The following statement was issued at S.H.A.E.F. tonight: "American columns striking east have liberated Chartres and Dreux where a bridgehead has been established over the Eure River.

East of Charters, United States units have crossed the Aunay River.

Further south our troops are in the immediate vicinity of Orleans."

The River Aunay is a tributary of the Eure and is 13 miles beyond Charters. This puts the Americans 32 miles from Paris.—Reuter.

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DANGER OF FLOODS IN UPPER SIND PAST

KARACHI, August 17: The danger of floods in Upper Sind is now past, according to the latest information in official circles. The peak of the river level was well sustained by the bunds at Sukkur and no further rise in the level is expected.

The Minister of Irrigation Rai Saheb Gokuldas said that during the next two or three days there might be a rise at Kotri, but this was unlikely to cause any trouble. The situation around Mehar and Khairpur-Nathan Shah was also improving.

CROPS DAMAGED IN AKOLA DISTRICT

AKOLA, August 17: It rained continuously here yesterday for 24 hours. Causing damage in certain parts to Jowar and cotton standing crop. The rain was seven inches in one day and the sky is still cloudy.—A. P.

AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS IN BOMBAY UNIVERSITY

Senate Accepts Lakh Donation From Bai Vijibai Jivanlal Pannalal Charity Fund

The offer of a sum of one lakh of rupees from the trustees of the Bai Vijibai Jivanlal Pannalal Charity Fund for starting and maintaining a section in Agricultural Economics in the University Department of Economics, was accepted by the Bombay University Senate, when it resumed its meeting on Thursday. The section is to consist of a lecturer in Agriculutural Economics, and an Investigator.

An attempt was made by Prof. A. Soares to have the matter referred back to the Syndicate on the ground that there was no definite scheme. A motion for reference back fell through for want of a seconder.

Prof. C. N. Vakil, speaking on the resolution said that the Imperial Council of Agricultural Research was mainly concerned with scientific research in agricultural methods. The Senate had already wisely decided that Agricultural Economics was a special branch of study which deserved encouragement.

The Senate also accepted an endowment of Rs. 10,000 for the founding of four prizes in the University made by Mr. Shantilal Mangaldas. The prizes are to be named after his father, Mangaldas Jeshingbhai.

A resolution seeking the administrative sanction of the Senate for a scheme of revision of grades of the members of the teaching and administrative staff of the University evoked a long debate in which Prof. K. T. Shah, Prof. D. R. Gadgil Dr. D. D. Karve, Sir Rustom Masani, Sir Vithal Chandavarkar, Prof. A. Soares, Prof. N. M. Shah, Dr. S. V. Shah, Principal K. M. Khadye Principal Mascarenhas, Miss Nawaz Contractor, Dr. K. G. Naik and others participated. Ultimately the motion was referred back to the Syndicate. It was argued by those who urged the reference back that the time was inopportune for bringing into effect any permanent scheme of revision of salaries although the Senate might sympathetically consider any temporary relief in deserving cases.

A proposal moved by the Hon. Miran Mohamed Shah for the formation of University Officers' Training Corps (Air Branch) was also referred back to the Syndicate.

Moving the reference back Dr. G. S. Mahajani said that the future of the Department of Military Studies was under consideration and this question may be considered simultaneously.

Citizens Emergency Relief Fund

The following donations to the Citizens Emergency Relief Fund have been received:

Previously acknowledged, Rs. 15,94,442-7-3; The Parsee Amateur Dramatic Society, Bombay (being net proceeds of the Drama "Madame Tichkoo" held on the 18th and 25th June 1944), Rs. 1,292-4-0; The Airmen of the Royal Air Force, Bombay (being nett proceeds of an R.A.F. Athletic meeting held in Bombay), Rs. 1,240-1-0; Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum, Bombay (out of charity moneys of the Court at his disposal), Rs. 100; The Sewa Mandir, Indore, Rs. 400; "Four for Bombay", Rs. 8-8-0; From Nasik District through the Collector of Nasik, Nasik Rs. 995; District Board, Tinnevelly (South India), Rs. 100; "Sympathy", Rs. 40; A Parsi Sympathiser, Rs. 500; Indian Staff of Lloyds Bank Ltd., Hornby Road and Princess Street, Rs. 50; The Railway Dramatic Club, Shahabad (being the proceeds of the Drama ("Ghara Baher" staged by Railway servants), Rs. 50; Mrs. Leela Jain, Rs. 200.

The total receipts amount to Rs. 15,99,418-4-3.

ADULTERATION OF MILK

City Fathers' Move For Proper Check And More Staff

Highway robberies in this city, adulteration of milk and a housing scheme for the unfortunate people dishoused by the explosions in April last—these were some of the subjects, which figured at in the meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation held on Thursday.

The "elusive" Bhaiyya was the target of attack by several members for his lion's share in the adulteration of the city's milk supply.

Mr. N. S. Kajrolkar, in a resolution requested the Municipal Commissioner to report whether the inspectorial and laboratory staff of the Health Department was adequate for the proper check on adulteration of milk, butter, ghee, etc., and if not to consider the desirability of submitting necessary proposals for increasing the staff.

Mr. Z. C. Chowdherry, speaking with inside knowledge of the stables opined that the owners of dairy farms were to some extent responsible for the adulteration of milk.

Mr. M. D. Bhat, Municipal Commissioner stated that it was rather a tough job to check the "elusive" Bhaiyya, who kept away from the rounds of the Municipal inspectors. There were only 7 inspectors in the city and they used to take rounds at several stations to check the quality of milk but the "elusive" Bhaiyyas cleverly evaded them. The Municipality had only 24 medical inspectors and there was a great necessity for augmenting the staff.

The resolution was carried.

HIGHWAY ROBBERIES IN SEWREE AREA

Mr. Z. I. Chowdherry moved a resolution asking the Municipal Commissioner to bring to the notice of the Police Commissioner the alarming increase in highway robberies in Sewree locality to provide adequate precautions to protect the citizens from the nefarious activities of the anti-social elements

The resolution was passed.

HOUSING FOR EXPLOSION HOMELESS

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta then moved a resolution that the Works Committee be requested to examine and report in consultation with the Commissioner a housing scheme submitted by him for the housing of the population dishoused by the April explosions.

According to Mr. Mehta's scheme that 1,000 houses may be built in suburbs, where suitable and cheaper land with sufficient water may be available and railway stations were nearby. The land may be secured through the local government and may be rented at the same rate of farm assessment for 99 years and the Municipality to charge the same rent with a little addition for the collection charges. It is estimated that each house will cost not more than Rs. 2,000. Of this, Rs. 700 may be paid by the party as a deposit and the balance, may be advanced as an interest free loan by the Municipality, to be recovered in 13 years by an annual instalment of Rs. 100. For the construction of these houses, the Municipality will have to arrange for 13 lakhs in the budget. A block of 250 houses will be allotted to a community.

The Municipal Commissioner reminded Mr. Mehta that the Municipality had already a housing scheme for 1,000 houses and tenders had already been invited for the same and these wekre in the first place, intended for those dishoused by the recent explosions. Regarding Mr. Mehta's proposal, the Commissioner was of the opinion that the city dwellers were not likely to migrate to suburbs, even if they got better facilities and amenities. Mr. Mehta's resolution was passed.

Mr. Nagindas Master, Mayor, extended a hearty welcome to Mr. S. K. Patil, leader of the Congress Municipal Party amidst cheers from all parts of the House

SUBSIDISED MILK CENTRES OPENED

BOMBAY, Thursday

Many a tiny tot who had been famished for want of pure milk got its first sip of unadulterated, Government guaranteed milk this morning when the subsidised milk scheme was inaugurated in the city by the Municipal Commissioner, Mr. M. D. Bhat.

By the end of the day 7,000 infants had received their quota of a quarter seer each. Actually 10,000 children have been registered and in a fortnight's time the figure is expected to reach 25,000. The city's population of children below the age of two eligible for the milk is 65,000

Fifty-nine distributing centres operate in all the wards of the city. The response from the public was quite encouraging and the hours of distribution were from 6 to 8 a.m. an d4 to 6 p.m. Only in the labour areas the response was very poor.

At a press conference held in his chamber, the Municipal Commissioner explained the detailed working of the scheme to reporters. At some centres where there was a surplus left over after card-holders were served, the remaining milk was sold to the public at 8 as. a seer.

Samples of milk will be taken every day and analysed at the Municipal Laboratory. Thus purity would be ensured.

It is proposed to transfer the cards registered at centres which are not yet opened to centres in the vicinity which are already functioning.

"If we find that the response is still better additional centres will be opened," Mr. Bhat told the pressmen.

"IT IS FOR GOVERNMENT TO DECIDE"

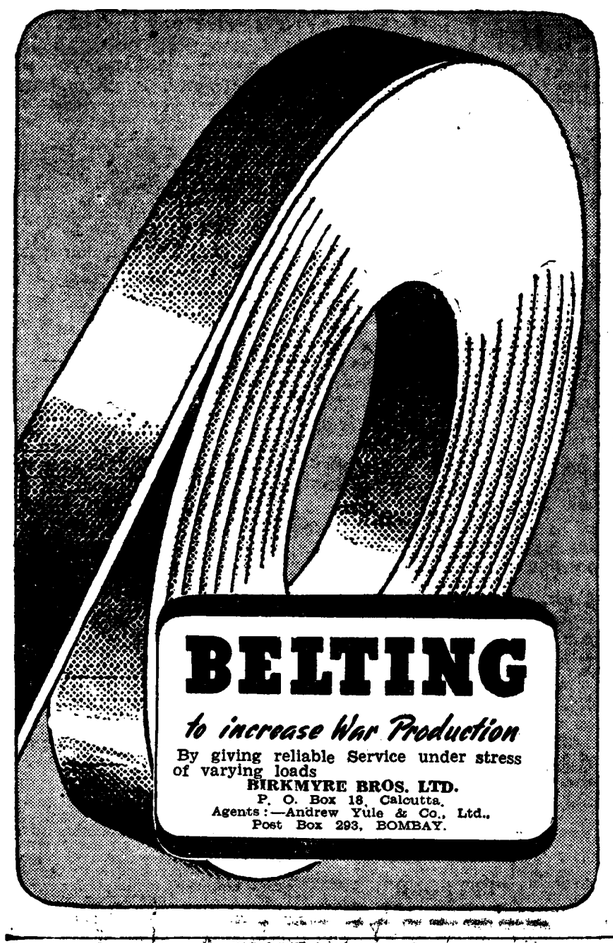
Asked by the "Chronicle" representative whether there was any likelihood of the age limit being relaxed, the Commissioner replied that it was entirely a matter for the Government, though he agreed with public opinion that the scheme should be extended to children under five years of age.

As things stood a child who was two years and one month could not take advantage of the scheme.

To a question whether the quota would be raised to half a seer as the present quota of quarter seer was inadequate, Mr. Bhat said that it was a matter for the Government to decide that.

The pressmen were then taken round the "evening" distribution centres.

PORT OF SPAIN, Aug. 16: Sir Alexander J. H. Russell, former Public Health Commissioner, India, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee to review the medical and health policy in Trinidad and consider administrative reorganisation.—Reuter.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ORIENT CHEMICAL & DRUG COMPANY, LTD.

REGISTERED OFFICE: No. 17, Mangoe Lane, Calcutta. Telegram: "Lantern." Phone: Cal. 1402 & 3032 : : : LABORATORY:—60-A, Barrackpore Trunk Road, Calcutta. Phone: B. B. 6836.

Authorised Capital: Rs. 5,00,000:- (Five Lacs)

Divided into:—(i) 30,000 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10/- each,
(ii) 10 000 Deferred Shares of Re. 1/- each.
(iii) 1,900 Preference Shares of Rs. 100/- each.

Preference shares are preferential as to capital as well as dividend but without any further right to participate in assets or profits. This will confer to the holder a right to the fixed dividend of 6% per annum. Such Preference Shares are, with the special sanction of the Company liable to be redeemed.

THE SUBSCRIPTION LIST WILL OPEN ON 21-8-44 AND CLOSE ON 31-8-44 OR EARLIER AT THE DISCRETION OF THE DIRECTORS.

DIRECTORS:

1. Mr. S. K. GUPTA, Chairman & Managing Director, S. K. Gupta & Co., Ltd., Chairman, Diana Printing Works Ltd., 17, Mangoe Lane, Calcutta.
2. Dr. P. C. SANYAL, M.B., F.R.C.S. (Eng.) 87|A, Chittaranjan Avenue Calcutta.
3. Mr. R. C. MUKHERJEE, Director & General Manager, Associated Metal Industries of India Ltd., 48, South Sinthee Road, Calcutta.
4. Mr. D. N. GUPTA, Director, S. K. Gupta & Co., Ltd., Associated Metal Industries of India Ltd., 19|3, Dover Road, Calcutta.
5. Mr. K. C. GUPTA, Merchant, 20, Brindaban Mullick Lane, Calcutta.
6. Mr. B. K. RAY, B.Sc., G.D.A., R.A., Registered Accountant, 14, Bentinck Street, Calcutta.
7. Mr. G. C. MITRA, M.Sc., B. L., Advocate, High Court, 'Dinadham', 29|1A, Madan Mitra Lane, Calcutta.
8. Mr. P. C. SARKAR, Advocate, Mg. Director, S. C. Sarkar & Sons Ltd., & Diana Printing Works Ltd. 1C, College Square, Calcutta.

Present Issue Rs. 3,99,000

(i) 24,900 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10|- each.
(ii) 1,500 Preference Shares of Rs. 100|- each.

Out of the above, the promoters and their friends have agreed to take and subscribe for 10,000 ordinary shares of the nominal value of Rs. 1,00,000|-.

The balance of 14,900 ordinary shares of the nominal value of Rs. 1,49,000|- and 1,500 Preference shares of the nominal value of Rs. 1,50,000|- are offered to the Public at par for subscription.

(a) The amount payable in respect of ordinary shares are as follows:—
Rs. 5|- payable with application and the balance of Rs. 5|- per share on allotment.

(b) The amount payable in respect of Preference shares are as follows:—
Rs. 25|- payable with application and Rs. 25|- per share on allotment and the balance in equal instalments by two calls.

Re. 1|- is payable as an admission fee with each application.

MANAGING AGENTS:

S. K. GUPTA & CO., LIMITED, 17, Mangoe Lane, Calcutta.

SOLICITORS:

A. P. ROY & CO. 5, Hastings Street, Calcutta.

AUDITORS:

N. SARKAR & CO., 17, Mangoe Lane, Calcutta, Registered Accountants.

BANKERS:

1. NATH BANK LIMITED.
2. CALCUTTA NATIONAL BANK LIMITED.

OBJECTS.

The objects of the Company are generally those that are set forth in the memorandum of Association of the Company.

This country is blessed with inexhaustible stock of raw materials and indigenous plants and herbs of reputed therapeutical activities and our object is to exploit our national stock of raw materials and to march with the progress of industrialisation of our country. The Company also intends to take up the manufacture of Surgical Cotton Coaltar Distillation Products and carry on researches on chemicals like Tannic Acid, Hypo and Organo-Metallic compounds and Chemo-therapeutical drugs, and to manufacture and produce the products of such researches. We also hope to give new preparations of unknown series based on the researches carried out in our own laboratories.

PRESENT POSITION.

To give the Company a timely start, S. K. Gupta & Co., Ltd., the Managing Agents of the Company, by its determination and untiring work has already secured a well equipped laboratory, and availed itself of the valuable services of Mr. R. N. Sen, M.Sc., a qualified chemist, having expert knowledge of applied Chemistry and a Scientist of distinguished merit. Chemists are already busy in their work in the laboratory of the Company and the Company is doing considerable business in the line of standardised B.P., B.P.C., drugs, dressings, injectables, indigenous, patent and proprietary medicines and chemicals some of which have already become popular in the market.

PROSPECTS.

It is needless to mention the prospects of a chemical Company in a country which is mostly dependent on foreign supplies. The massive import figures of Drugs and Chemicals and the increasing population of the country amply justify the organisation of new chemical companies in India and it is the time for the indigenous industries to take advantage of the situation created by this war We have resources. We have a vast market, we have scientists in our country and an energetic utilisation of all these must lead to success and rank our country in a line with those which are now the leaders in Chemical Industries. The prospects are bright and we have no doubt that the Company should yield a good profit with choice workers having integrity and efficiency specially when the men behind the organisation are leaders in medicine or are successful businessmen who have proved their abilities in other fields of Industry.

COMMISSION & BROKERAGE.

Besides the payment of any reasonable amount as brokerage, the Company has made provisions to pay a commission not exceeding 10% on the face value of the shares.

PRELIMINARY EXPENSES.

The Preliminary Expenses including fees and stamp duties are to be paid by the Company and are estimated at Rs. 7,500 exclusive of brokerage, commission and advertisement expenses.

MINIMUM SUBSCRIPTION.

The minimum subscription upon which the company shall be entitled to proceed to allotment is Rs. 1,000. This has already been subscribed and allotted.

PROMOTION MONEY.

No amount for promotion money will be paid to promoters either in cash or by Shares.

POWER OF VOTING.

On a show of hands every member being a holder of fully paid up Ordinary or Deferred Shares shall have one vote being present in person and upon a poll every member present in person or by Proxy shall have one vote for every Ordinary Share or Deferred Share held by such member.

DIRECTORS' QUALIFICATION AND REMUNERATION.

The qualification of every Director shall be the holding of at least 100 Ordinary shares in the Capital of the Company. No share qualification is essential for an Ex-officio Director. As a remuneration each Director will be paid the sum of Rs. 15 for each meeting attended by him and in which a quorum has been formed. The Directors shall also be paid a bonus of 3 per cent of the net profit of the Company.

INTEREST OF DIRECTORS.

Excepting Messrs. S. K. Gupta & D. N. Gupta who are interested as the Managing Director and Director respectively of S. K. Gupta & Co., Ltd., the managing Agents of the Company, no other Director has any interest in the Company save and except as a shareholder.

MANAGEMENT.

Subject to direction and control of the Board of Directors the business of the Company shall be carried on by S. K. Gupta & Co., Ltd., who has been appointed to be the first Managing Agents of the Company for a period of 20 years on a commission at the rate of 15% of the annual net profits of the Company, but in case of inadequacy of profits in any year they will be entitled to a minimum payment of Rs. 6,000 for that year.

CONTRACTS AND DOCUMENTS.

An agreement between the Company and Messrs. S. K. Gupta & Co., Ltd., appointing the latter as Managing Agents of the Company on terms and conditions laid down in the body of the Articles of Association.

Copies of the said agreement and a copy of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the office of the company at 17, Mangoe Lane, Calcutta at any time between the hours of 12 and 4 on any working day while the subscription list is open.

SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The subscription list will open on 21-8-44 and close on 31-8-44 or earlier at the discretion of the Directors.

Applications should be submitted for ten or multiples of ten shares to the Managing Agents of the Company or to the Company's Bankers and their Branches. Application forms and full prospectus can be had from the company or their Bankers.

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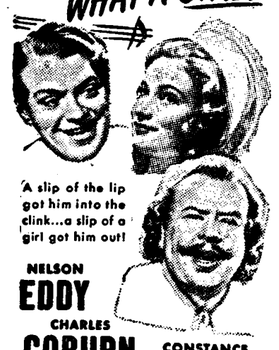

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BING CROSBY
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RAJKAMAL'S & V. SHANTARAM'S
MALI
(HINDUSTANI & MARATHI)
Daily: Hindi: 4, 7, Marathi 10 p.m
Fri., Sat. Sun., 1 p.m.
20th WEEK at
NOVELTY

MATINEE TO-DAY 1-15 P. M.
RAJKAMAL'S & V. SHANTARAM'S
SHAKUNTALA
Starring — JAYASHREE
Daily: 4, 7, 10
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49th WEEK
SWASTIK

PLANS OPEN: 10 to 12 and 3 to 6

House-Full
4TH WEEK!
KAMAL 'KASTURBA' ROAD
Daily: 4, 7, 10 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays Matinee 1-30 p.m.
Ma-Bap
'SUNRISE' Picture
Produced & Directed by: V. M. VYAS
Story by MOHANLAL DAVE
Co-starring:
*VEENA *NAZIR *MOTI *YAKUB
*RAJKUMARI *JAGDISH
*Kalyani, *Mirza Mushraff, *Amir Karnatki *Dixit

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Glorious picture of the life and love of Gandharva Kanyas!!
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SHANTA APTE. VANMALA, PAHARI
Director: NANDLAL JASHWANTLAL
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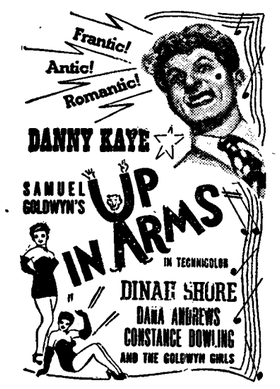

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3-30, 6-30 & 9-30 P. M.
—2ND WEEK!—

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TOMMY DORSEY AND HIS ORCHESTRA
A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture

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CUPIDS ATTACK IN A NEWSPAPER'S OFFICE
KAVITA
With
RATNAMALA, UMAKANT, JEEVAN, KANTAKUMARI
Direction
K. J. PARMAR
MAHESHCHANDRA
Story: P. GIRISH.
Songs: R. GUPTA
at CAPITOL
Advance Booking Today: 10 to 12 A. M. 3 to 6 P. M.
EVERGREEN RELEASE

CITY LIGHT
(MATUNGA B.B.)
SATHI MURALI
in TAMIL
Starring
SANTHANA LAXMI, MATHURAM MAHALINGAM & KALI N. RATHNAM
Sunday, 20-8-44: Morning Show at 9-30 a.m.

In Aid Of Kasturba Memorial Fund

Miss Raihana Tyabjee, daughter of the late Mr. Abbas Tyabjee will be the principal singer of Bhajans and devotional songs at the concert organised in aid of the Kasturba Gandhi National Memorial Fund today at 9-30 p.m. at the "Bandra Talkies", Ghod Bunder Road, Bandra under the presidentship of Shri B. G. Kher Tickets for admission are valued at Re. 1, Rs. 3 and Rs. 5 The proceeds after deduction of expenses will be handed over to the Bandra Collection Committee. The public are earnestly requested to attend the concert in large numbers and make it a success.

Portfolio Found

Two gentlemen who took a taxi at Bori Bunder at about 4 p.m on Thursday (August 17) and came to the "Chronicle" have left a porfolio which can be collected at the "Chronicle" office between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m by applying to the Secretary to the Editor.

3rd Gay and great week! You'll LOVE TO LAUGH & LAUGH TO LOVE!
KARDAR'S Rib-Tickling Comedy!
"SANJOG"
Starring:
CHARLIE, MEHTAB, WASTI, ULLHAS.
Daily: 4, 7 & 10 p.m. Sat., Sun. at 1-30 p.m.
IMPERIAL
(Advance Booking—10 a.m. to 12 noon; 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.)

From TODAY
CITY LIGHT
B. B. MATUNGA
Daily: 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
Sun. & Holidays: 1-15 p.m.
SUNRISE PICTURES'
GHAR SANSAR
SARDAR AKHTAR, MAZHAR KHAN, NAZIR, KAJJAN.

4TH WEEK
RANJIT'S
PAGLI DUNIYA
MUMTAZ SHANTI. MOTILAL
Sheikh Mukhtar, Kanaiyalal
Director: ASPI
OPERA HOUSE
Daily: 4 7 & 10 p.m
Sat., Sun. Matinee at 1-30 p.m.
Advance Booking: 9-30 to 12-30 & 3 to 6-30
Supreme Release

3rd Triumphant Week
J. B. H. WADIA'S
KRISHNABHAKTA
BODANA
Master Vasant
Rani Premlata
KRISHNA
Dubash Theatre
Daily: 4, 7 and 10 P. M.
Sat., Sun., Holidays 1 P. M.
Advance Booking: 10 to 12 & 3 to 6 P. M.

10th WEEK
Director JAYANT DESAI'S
MANORAMA
LEELA CHITNIS, ISHWARLAL, CHARLIE
NEW WEST END
Daily: 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
Sat., Sun., Holidays: 1-45 p.m.
Advance Booking
10 to 12 and 3 to 6 p.m.

The Picture Deserving To be written in
GOLD Letters
in the History of the WOMAN of India is the
20th ROYAL JEWEL
Directed by NANDLAL JASVANTLAL
"PRATIDNYA"
'CHITRA'—Chitra Co-starring MOTILAL, Baby MEENA
Suvarnalata, Sunetra, Nagendra
MAJESTIC
8th WEEK!
Daily: 4, 7, 10 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays Matinees 1 p.m.
NON-STOP STILL GOING STRONGER

ALL COLOURED HINDI
53RD WEEK!
PRAKASH'S SUPERB MYTHOLOGICAL HIT
RAM RAJYA
(HINDI-MARATHI)
3-30, 6-30 (Hindi); 9-45 (Marathi)
Fri., Sat., Sun. 12-30 (Hindi). Sun. 9-30 (Marathi).
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EVERGREEN RELEASE.

CITY AND SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Shravan Vad 30, 2000
Muslim: Shaban 28, 1363
Parsi: Aspandarmad 19, 1313
Sunrise: 7-21, a.m. Sunset 8-5 p.m.
Hightide:—. 13-12, Lowtide: 6-24. 19-17

To-day's Engagements

MUSLIM WOMEN'S HANDICRAFT EXHIBITION: Under the auspices of Khoja Educational and Welfare Society for women only uptil Saturday, (19th inst.), between 4-00 and 8-00 p.m. at Kesar Baug, Dongri.

SRI VENUGANA BHAJANA SAMAJ: Music at 9-30 p.m Mrs. Sundaramma Raghavaiah (Veena and Vocal), Sri L. S. Viswanath Ayyar (Mridahangam). Vejbai Building, Matunga.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' UNION: Public meeting at 5-30 p.m Marwari Vidyalaya Hall, to wish success to Gandhi-Jinnah Meeting.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class from The Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, on "Karma". Jehangir Wadia Bldg., Flora Fountain. 6-15 p.m.

SHARADA MANDIR HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS: Matru Din under the presidentship of Mrs. Yamunabai Pendharkar, 4 p.m.

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATIONS: The Mother's Day League will celebrate the 30th Mother's Day at 5-30 p.m (S T) at the Vanmali Hall, Dadar, Mr. B. K. Joshi alias Dasmadhav will preside. Dr. A. N. Dandekar Memorial Prize and sweets will be distributed.

K. R. CAMA'S DEATH ANNIVERSARY: Will be celebrated today (Friday) at the K. R. Cama Institute Library Hall. At 5-15 Jashan Ceremony will be performed and a 6-15 function will be held when Mr. B. T. Anklesaria, Prof. Dastur Meherjirana and Dastur Bode will speak.

ALL-INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: An emergency meeting of the Bombay Branch of the All-India Women's Conference including the members of the constituencies of Bombay, Khar-Santa Cruz, Dadar-Matunga and Parel will be held tomorrow (Saturday) at 5 p.m. at Vanita Vishram Hall, Sandhurst Road to wish God-speed to the efforts of Mahatma Gandhi and Mr. Jinnah on the eve of their important meeting. The members are requested to expect this as the only notice.

MUSICIAN HONOURED

The need of propagating classical music and of safeguarding the same against the aggression of the light varieties was stressed by Goswami Shri Dikshitji Maharaj in his presidential speech at the music function which was organised by Professor Deodhar's School of Indian Music in honour of Mridangacharya Pandit Makhanlalji on Sunday evening. Warm tributes were paid to Makhanlalji by the president and other speakers in his mastery over mridanga.

Pt. Makhanlalji

The demonstration of the elaborate and complex technique of "chantai" by Makhanlalji was highly appreciated by the audience. Vocal music which consisted of the padas by Haridas, Tansen and Surdas in the Dhruvapada and Dhamar styles proved equally interesting. It was contributed by Pandit Laxmanprasadji who is an exponent of the Vaishnava School of classical music. Makhanlalji found therein sufficient scope to emphasise the mridanga as an indispensable accompaniment of the higher music.

WOMAN TYPIST CONVICTED FOR FORGED CHEQUE

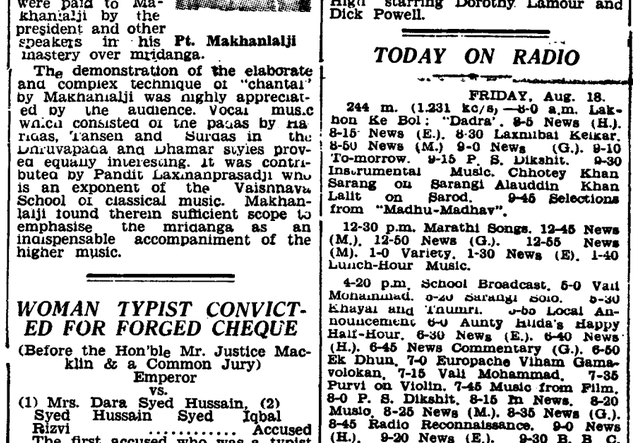
(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Macklin & a Common Jury)
Emperor
vs.
(1) Mrs. Dara Syed Hussain, (2) Syed Hussain Syed Iqbal Rizvi ..... Accused

The first accused who was a typist in the firm of Messrs. Eastley Lam & Co., Solicitors' was charged with having forged a cheque for Rs. 300 purporting to have been signed by Mr. Eastley, a partner in that firm in February last, and with having abetted her husband, the second accused, in cheating the Eastern Bank of that amount. The second accused was also charged with having knowingly used the forged cheque as genuine in getting it cashed from the Bank. At the trial, the first accused, was in a delicate condition, admitted having forged the said cheque but stated that her husband did not know anything about it when he cashed it at her instance.

The Jury having returned a unanimous verdict finding the first accused guilty and the second accused not guilty of the offences charged, His Lordship sentenced her to one day's simple imprisonment on each charge and a fine of Rs. 100 but acquitted the second accused of all charges.

Mr. J. C. Bhat instructed by the Public Prosecutor appeared for the Prosecution.

Mr. H. R. Pardiwalla defended both the accused.



FIRST PRISONERS OF NEW INVASION
The first German prisoners taken in Southern France by Allied forces are being marched along the beachhead.—USOWI Radiophoto.

Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman in "For Whom The Bell Tolls" at Regal.

JAP BARBARITIES ON EROS SCREEN

Two Good Musicals At Metro And New Empire

BY T. V. P.

Produced with high dramatic power, emotional intensity and with a cast that does full justice to the difficult roles allotted to them, "The Purple Heart" glories on the screen with all its authenticity and realism the brutality and barbarism of the Japs. This picture depicts the atrocities on eight American fliers, who had bombed Tokyo but by some mischance fell into the hands of the Japanese and were tried not as prisoners of war but as murderers.

The Friends of the Soviet Union present the Pudovkin Production "General Suvorov" at the Roxy, on Sunday at 10 a.m. for members and their guests. Regarded as the greatest Russian General of all times, General Suvorov, in the course of his career (1757 to 1800) won as many as sixty-three battles and never lost a single one!

"For Whom The Bell Tolls" starring Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman, a story of the days of the Fascist-Republican conflict in Spain is running for the third week at Regal It is based on Ernest Hemingway's novel of the same name. "Up In Arms" Samuel Goldwyn's beautiful musical in technicolor continues for another week at Excelsior.

A fine musical comedy by Corporation of America, "Knickerbocker Holiday" comes to New Empire through United Artists. Produced and directed by Harry Joe Brown, one of Hollywood's foremost picture makers, "Knickerbocker Holiday" has been brought to the screen with all of the charm, great music and romance which made it a highly successful hit on Broadway.

A gay and tuneful musical, starstudded with fine entertainment is at Metro. It is "Broadway Rhytim", George Murphy co-stars with lovely Ginny Simms, radio's favourite singing sweetheart, making her screen debut in technicolor.

Loaded with lilting tunes, plus music of Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra, "Broadway Rhythm" is the story of a succesful Broadway producer who hits a snag in his career when he decides to go "arty" and a hitch in his romantic plans when the Hollywood star played by Ginny Simms, ditermines to produce a play on her own with the co-operation of Murphy's father and kid sister.

Aurora will screen "Hitler's Children" and Palace will show "Riding High" starring Dorothy Lamour and Dick Powell.

TODAY ON RADIO

FRIDAY, Aug. 18.

244 m. (1.231 kc/s).—8-0 a.m. Lakhon Ke Bol: "Dadra'. 8-5 News (H.). 8-15 News (E.). 8-30 Laxmibai Kelkar. 8-50 News (M.) 9-0 News (G.). 9-10 To-morrow. 9-15 P. S. Dikshit. 9-30 Instrumental Music. Chhotey Khan Sarang on Sarangi Alauddin Khan Lalit on Sarod. 9-45 Selections from "Madhu-Madhav".

12-30 p.m. Marathi Songs. 12-45 News (M.). 12-50 News (G.). 12-55 News (M.). 1-0 Variety. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music.

4-20 p.m. School Broadcast. 5-0 Vali Mohammad. 5-20 Sarangi Solo. 5-30 Khayal and Tarana. 5-50 Local Announcement. 5-0 Aunty Hilda's Happy Half-Hour. 6-30 News (E.). 6-40 News (H.). 6-45 News Commentary (G.). 6-50 Ek Dhun. 7-0 Europache Viham Gamavolokan. 7-15 Vali Mohammad. 7-35 Purvi on Violin. 7-45 Music from Film. 8-0 P. S. Dikshit. 8-15 In News. 8-20 Music. 8-25 News (M.). 8-35 News (G.). 8-45 Radio Reconnaissance. 9-0 News (H.). 9-20 News (E.). 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9-45 World Affairs. 10-0 Laxmibai Kelkar. 10-50 String Music.

New High Court Judge: N. H. Bhagwati

It is reliably understood that Mr. N. H. Bhagwati, a prominent member of the Original Side Bar of the Bombay High Court, has been appointed an Additional Judge of that High Court. Enrolled in 1921 Mr. Bhagwati is 50 years of age.

It is also reliably understood that the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajadhyaksha, at present an Additional Judge of the High Court, is to be confirmed as a permanent puisne Judge in place of the Hon'ble Mr. Justice N. J. Wadia who is due to retire towards the end of this month.

LUCKNOW, Aug. 16.—Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, ex-Revenue Minister, U. P. who is under detention as a security prisoner, has been transferred from the Central Prison at Izatnagar to the Lucknow Central Jail hospital for a thorough medical examination. He has not been keeping good health for sometime.—A. P.

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REGAL (Phone 35017) TRIUMPHANT 3RD WEEK!
At 4 & 6-15 p.m. Rates: Rs. 5. 4, 2-4, 2 & 1.
(A Paramount Picture)

Sunday, 10-30 a.m. "HAPPY-GO-LUCKY" (in Technicolour) Dick Powell, Mary Martin, Betty Hutton, Eddie Bracken.

GALA PREMIERE TODAY AT 1-45 P.M.

MATCH-MAKING MAMA PLAYS A HOT TRICK....!
—TO SEE THAT HER DARLING DAUGHTER GETS A RICH ROMEO!
SWINGFUL, TEASEFUL & TICKLING COMEDY!
Hindustan Chitra's
SHARARAT
Starring:
KISHORE SAHU, PROTIMA DASGUPTA, —A new Comedian— SUSHIL SAHU, ROMESH GUPTA, Maya Banerji, Rani Bala & Gulab.
Direction & Screenplay: KISHORE SAHU
Music: TRIPATHI & KHAN MASTANA.
Daily: 4-30, 7-15, & 10 p.m.
Fri., Sat., Sun & Holidays Mat. at 1-45 p.m.
Advance Booking— 10 a.m. to 12 noon; 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Opening TODAY at 1-45 p.m. at—
LAMINGTON
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LAST NIGHT WAS GREAT!
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"THEY WERE THERE"

COOKS AND BARBERS TURN TANK DRIVERS

After a seven-day battle in which British tank crews and Indian followers withstood repeated attacks from Japanese troops on a tank harbour between Maungdaw and Bawli Bazaar the Japs were finally beaten off.

The Officer in charge of the tanks ordered immediate repairs to be carried out on our damaged tanks and made ready to give chase to the fleeing Japanese. He then found that he had not enough fit drivers to take the tanks into action. Then, to his surprise, the cooks and barbers who formed part of the body of Indian followers volunteered to take over some of the tanks. The Officer gave his consent....the result was a complete rout of the remnants of the enemy.

If you want to serve with men like these, you can get all details from any Recruiting Office.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We have lived, not so many days and years, but so much work and love and struggle and joy and heartache. Life is always measured in terms of its quality by the standards of the soul.

—Edward H. Griggs.

The Bombay Chronicle

UNHELPFUL AS EVER

The Gandhi-Wavell correspondence, which has just been published, will doubtless disappoint many. But what Gandhiji has said of himself, that he is "used to work in the face of disappointment", should apply to all. The path of negotiations is not always easy nor are things always what they seem. To understand clearly the situation as revealed by the correspondence, it will be advisable to pass over the proposals for post-war arrangements and fix attention on these for immediate changes. Gandhiji demands immediate independence subject to the proviso that during the pendancy of the war military operations should continue as at present. The Viceroy, on the other hand, wants to "make it quite clear that until the war is over, responsibility for defence and military operations cannot be divided from the other responsibilities of Government, and that until hostilities cease and the new constitution is in operation His Majesty's Government and the Governor-General must retain their responsibility over the entire field" At the same time the Viceroy adds: "If, however, the leaders of the Hindus, the Muslims and the important minorities were willing to co-operate in a transitional Government established and working within the present constitution, I believe good progress might be made. For such a transitional Government to succeed, there must, before it is formed, be agreement in principle between the Hindus and Muslims and all important elements as to the method by which the new constitution should be formed."

It will be seen from the above that Gandhiji's essential demand for immediate recognition of India's independence, subject to the continuance of the present position with regard to military operations, a demand which was regarded by many as too modest in comparison with the "Quit India" resolution, has been completely negatived. There is to be no change in the present constitution. But the Viceroy holds out the vague hope of "good progress" within the present constitution. Perhaps he means the complete Indianisation of his Council and some assurances about relaxing his veto. Such a proposal has been rejected by most parties before and is hardly likely to be acceptable to them now. Even that is subjected to the further condition, that "all important elements" should not only accept it but should also agree as to the method by which a new constitution is to be framed after the war. So no power is given to the important elements but apples of discord are thrown amongst them in the shape of present discussion about future claims. It is difficult to believe that the British Government means business or any honourable compromise. If the Vicercy seriously wishes that his proposals should be at least considered by all important elements, the least that he should do immediately is to see that, in Gandhiji's words, "friendly talks should take the place of correspondence". In his letter of 15th July Gandhiji hopes that the Gelder interview will enable the Viceroy "to grant at least one of my requests contained in my letter of 17th June." The requests are that Gandhiji should be allowed to interview either the Viceroy or the members of the Working Committee. Nothing is said about this in the published correspondence. If neither request is to be granted, it is, indeed, a serious matter.

The Alternatives

Until Lord Halifax had spoken in the United States, one could only vaguely guess the extent and nature of the injury that Hider's V-1, the flying bomb has wrought. And Mr. Churchill's statistics served only to minimise the mischief. It, as Lord Halifax has revealed, 700 houses are being damaged every hour by the flying bomb, the destruction must be grievous, indeed. But this is war. modern war, of which the flying bomb is a characteristically modern and characteristically destructive weapon. It will, of course, continue to be endured as what may now be said to be orthodox bombing has been endured by all the belligerents. It will also, in due course of time, cease to descend on London and south-east England. But that will not be the end of the tragedy of war.

It has endless possibilities, the flying bomb being but the latest. Mr. Morgenthau has drawn attention to what may happen in the future. If science and man's genius can produce a bomb flying a few hundred miles, the present robot may well prove, in *homo sapiens'* (!) good time, to be the fore-runner of "far more terrible instruments of destruction which will be hurled hundreds and even thousands of miles" and which, we may add, will destroy seventy thousand and even seven hundred thousand houses—and most of their tenants—every hour. War must perish if man is not to perish. But *homo sapiens* has yet to justify his definition, has yet to become human and has yet to accept a Gandhi as the apostle of humanity instead of ridiculing him as a crank. The question is whether it will be soon or when it is too late.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Von Kluge Escapes?

The puzzling announcements from S.H.A.E.F. to the effect that General Eisenhower had assumed personal command of operations in the field did suggest that all was not well with the situation in Normandy. If Reuter's Special Commentator is to be believed things have gone worse than any one could have believed. von Kluge, unreatened with the destruction of the bulk of his forces in northern France which had been caught in a salient, has scored a notable success. He has saved the greater part of his strength from an immediate doom that was regarded as more or less certain. Out of the 100,000 trapped Germans no fewer than 60,000 are said to have escaped and, what is worse, have taken away with them as many as 1,200 tanks, too. That means something like three-fourths of von Kluge's armour-ed. If all this true what might have been a magnificent victory has, in terms of original expectations, become a fiasco, and there is little wonder that General Eisenhower should have felt it necessary to take charge himself. But von Kluge has still not altogether escaped. American columns are reported by Germans to have struck east also and to have reached points only 50 miles from Paris. Von Kluge may yet be caught along the Seine.

Arab Unity

It almost appears as if the Arab world is afflicted with the same kind of psychology as has been the bane of India. And it is threatened with the same dangers. The psychology is that of suspicion which finds expression in the present conflict over the general problem of Arab unity. Every suggestion, every plan is subjected to scrutiny in suspicious terms of danger to the separate interests of individual entities. At least this is the impression conveyed by Reuter's reports which may quite possibly be doing inadequate injustice to the Arabs. The outside danger is also there: the danger of foreign domination being consolidated, extended and perpetuated over the Arab world. The destiny of the Arab world lies in over-all unity, no matter what the conditions in detail may be. Without that unity the future is dark. But the primary objective of unity must be riddance of foreign domination otherwise unity itself may well become a bane rather than a boon.

University Ideals

In his Convocation address to the new graduates of the Bombay University Mr. B. J. Wadia, Vice-Chancellor, dealt with many important topics but we can comment on only two of them to-day. Referring to the ideals and functions of a University, he said: "A university is not a place for professional education. Its object is not to produce skilful lawyers, or physicians, or engineers, but capable and cultured human beings." Though this view is common among certain educationists in India and abroad, it is not quite correct. It will be truer to say that a University is not merely a place for professional education, it must also impart general education and culture. In other words no University in modern times can disclaim responsibility to provide higher professional education. And as a matter of fact higher education in law, medicine, engineering, etc., has long been an integral part of a University's functions both in India and abroad. Non-recognition of the duty to provide professional training in addition to general education may lead to the neglect of the former.

Country First

Mr. Wadia did well to refer also to the social or national ideals of education Education, he said, ought to have a double aim, developing the student's individuality and developing in him a strong sense of national obligation. In emphasizing national obligation he did not, we believe, understand it in a narrow sense so as to underestimate the importance of internationalism. He only sought to warn students against narrow communalism or parochialism of any kind. This he did when he exhorted the students to "give something more than lip-service to the great ideal of country first and community afterwards and added: "What is specially required is not the teaching of party views nor of narrow communal predilections, but the teaching of great and united purposes which aim at the production of the good and liberal-minded citizen." In fulfilling this high aim the Universities themselves can and should help a great deal.

URDU JOURNALISTS TO ORGANISE

Benefit Fund Started

LUCKNOW, Aug. 17

The U. P. and Delhi Urdu Press Conference which concluded yesterday adopted a number of resolutions dealing with the plight of Urdu newspapers and journalists.

By a resolution, the Conference welcomed the forthcoming Gandhi-Jinnah meeting and expressed the hope that it would bring about favourable results.

Another resolution requested Government to modify the paper control order. It was decided to form an association of U. P. and Delhi journalists and to get it registered.

The Conference also complained against the insufficient representation of Urdu papers on the Standing Committee of the A.I.N.E.C.

It was decided to establish a regular fund with a capital of Rs. 50,000 and to help Urdu journalists on special occasions. Hafiz Mohamed Siddique of Cawnpore announced a donation of Rs. 10,000.—A. P.

DEMAND FOR MINIMUM WAGES

Marathi Journalists' Conference's Recommendations

BOMBAY, August 17.

The fixing of a minimum salary for Marathi working journalists in Bombay, Poona and Nagpur, and other places at Rs. 125, Rs. 100 and Rs. 75 respectively, is one of the recommendations made by the Standing Committee of the Marathi Journalists' Conference in pursuance of a resolution passed by the Conference at its Kolhapur session in February last.

The Committee recommend, 'inter alia', the provision of provident fund schemes at the rate of one anna per rupee of the salary of the working journalist on completion of one year's service and the contribution of equal amount by the proprietors. That the journalist should be entitled to one month's privilege leave and twenty days' casual leave with pay every year and payment of gratuity at the rate of one month's salary for every year of service, grant of bonus equal to two months' salary until present price levels return to pre-war levels, are among the other recommendations of the Committee.

A minimum standard and grade of pay and dearness allowance of fifty per cent of the salary are also recommended. The Committee has also made certain recommendations for the betterment of the conditions of mofussil journalists.—United Press.

WHAT TECHNICAL EDUCATION CAN ACHIEVE

Dr. Nazir Ahmed Quotes Russia's Example

Dr. Nazir Ahmed, one of the six Indian scientists who have been invited by the British Government to visit England, was entertained to dinner at the Islam Club on Thursday by his fellow-Trustees of the Mahomed Haji Saboo Siddik Technical Institution. Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Chairman of the Trustees of the institution, thanking the guests, said that, Dr. Nazir Ahmed was the only representative of Bombay province on the scientists' delegation that had been invited to visit England to see the work done in scientific and research institutions there and come into contact with British scientists. No progress worth the name in industrial expansion in India could take place without planned scientific and industrial research. India had a great dearth of workers in such research workers and the Muslims were specially backward in this respect. He hoped the visit of the Indian scientists' delegation would serve as a stimulus to the rapid growth of technical education and scientific and industrial research in India.

Mr. Habib Ibrahim Rahimtoolah,—on behalf of the guests, said that the scientists' delegation should have been sent twenty years ago. India's industries could not be developed without properly and highly trained technicians and he had no doubt the experience which Dr. Nazis Ahmed would get as a result of his visit to England would prove of great benefit to industrialists.

Dr. Nazis Ahmed said that though there was dearth of scientists among Muslims, the Muslim community had the genius and the capacity to produce scientists and workers for scientific and industrial research in sufficient number given the time and the opportunity As the strength of yarn defended on the strength of its weakest point so the progress of the country depended entirely on the progress of its backward sections. It was, therefore, in the national interests of India that Muslims and other backward communities should be encouraged to take to scientific and industrial pursuit in large number. He emphasized the importance of the spread of technical education and the need for establishing a proper liaison between industrialists and technical schools and colleges. The progress that the U.S.A. had made in industrial development in recent years was the result of the great attention paid to the development of technical education. Soviet Russia was, however, the outstanding example of what technical education could do to develop industries. In their five year plans the Russians put the horse before the cart by stinting no expenditure for producing the most highly trained technical personnel in adequate numbers to carry on the industries which had been established and worked with phenomenal success within a period of not more than twenty-five years. India must do the same if she wanted to be industrially great and prosperous.

Increase Of War Bonus To Indian Seamen

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17

It is understood that Sir Azizul Haque, Commerce Member, and Mr. N. R. Pillai Secretary, had discussions with Dr. Malik, President of the Indian Quartermasters' Union, Mr. Brodie, Chairman of the Calcutta Liners' Conference, and Mr. Aftab Ali, President of the Indian Seamen's Union, regarding increase of war bonus paid to Indian seamen, and conditions of service.—A. P.

HYDERABAD, (Deccan)—The death occurred on Tuesday night of Nawab Shaukat Jung Bahadur, one of the leading nobles of the Hyderabad State. He served the State in various capacities.

BLACKSHIRTS FIGHT PATRIOTS

Artillery Fire Across Arno On Fifth Army Front

LONDON, August 17.

Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters in Italy says: Mussolini's Republican Blackshirts have, for the first time, been seen engaging patriots in the northern fringes of Florence. Patrols are still active along the Arno west of Florence, but mopping up in Empoli has been completed.

In the Adriatic sector, strong fighting patrols are consolidating positions in the mountains about 65 miles inland from Ancona and have jabbed three kilometres to westward.

On the Fifth Army front activity has been restricted to artillery fire across the Arno

Today's Allied communique stated: In Florence Eighth Army Troops continue to clear the city of enemy elements to enable supplies to be delivered to the local population. Although there is no major change in our dispositions all along the front in the mountains east of the river Tiber valley, our advanced troops now occupy a number of high points until lately held by the enemy.

Our reconnaissance patrols have been active all along the Arno from Florence to the sea and a number of clashes occurred.

Unescorted heavy bombers yesterday attacked four railway bridges in the south of France. Others, escorted by fighters, attacke chemical works near Friedrichshafen. Others attacked transports and other military targets in Yugoslavia Albania and Greece.

In these operations one enemy aircraft was destroyed and five of ours are missing.

Incomplete reports show that our air forces flew more than 1,800 sorties."—Reuter.

STETTIN, KIEL AND BERLIN BOMBED

Flying Bomb Hits Buckingham Palace Ground

LONDON, August 17.

An Air Ministry 'communique' said: "Last night Bomber Command despatched nearly twelve hundred aircraft. The main objectives were stettin and Kiel and large fires were observed at both the ports.

A force of Mosquitoes bombed Berlin. Large minelaying operations were also carried out.

From these operations 16 of our aircraft are missing."

Other Mosquitoes attacked road convoys east of Paris and north of Dijon. Mosquitoes attacking the approach to one Seine crossing felt the force of a huge explosion and could see fires twenty miles away.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE GROUNDS HIT

Flying Bomb Havoc

LONDON, Aug. 17: The grounds of Buckingham Palace were among the places hit or damaged by blast in recent flying bomb attacks. Other notable places were Dr. Johnson's house, in Gough Square, off Fleet Street, and the Butcher's Hall in the city of London.

The flying bomb which fell in the Buckingham Palace grounds hit a tall ash tree and exploded before reaching the ground. Several windows and window-frames were blown out in the palace and half a dozen trees in the vicinity burnt down. A small summerhouse was badly wrecked and the asphalt surface of the tennis court on which the King used to play frequently before the war was pitholed and ruined. There were no casualties.

Last night there was enemy activity, with flying bombs directed against the Southern Counties, including the London area. Damage and casualties were caused.—Reuter.

Rommel In Hospital—But Not Dead Yet!

LONDON, Aug. 17: The German radio to-day said Rommel is still in hospital. To a German War Correspondent who visited him there, Rommel said: "The British have often reported me dead, but as you see I am alive and I shall soon be completely recovered."—Reuter.

PATRIOTS CAPTURE ST. JULIEN

GENEVA Aug. 17.

After routing strong German detachments, patriot forces in Haute-Savoie are reported to have completely surrounded the town of Annecy, 18 miles from the Swiss frontier, and captured Saint Julien on the French side of the frontier itself.—Reuter.

CONGRESS M.L.A.s TO CONSIDER C. R. FORMULA

BOMBAY, Thursday.

About 50 members of the Congress Legislature Party are expected to attend the meeting convened in Bombay by Mr. B. G. Kher, leader, on Saturday to discuss the present political situation in India and the Rajaji proposals for communal settlement. The Legislature Party has a total strength of 80 members.

VICEROY TO MEET GOVERNORS

NEW DELHI, Aug. 17.

The Viceroy has summoned all Governors to Delhi for a meeting at the end of August, says a Press Note.

A similar meeting was held last November and such meetings will be held periodically during the present Viceroyalty. Economic problems, including post-war development, will be discussed.—A. P.

U. P. M.L.A. Surrenders

ALLAHABAD, August 17: According to information received here from Ballia, it is learnt that in pursuance of the wishes of Mahatma Gandhi Thakur Radha Mohan Singh, M.L.A., who was absconding since the August disturbances, has now surrendered himself to the police. It will be recalled that Thakur Radha Mohan Singh was released by the District Magistrate of Ballia from Jail during the August disturbances along with some other influential persons to help in restoration of order.—United Press.

SURRENDER, ARREST & TRANSFER

CAWNPORE, Aug. 16.—Mr. Khursheed Bahadur and Mr. Raja Ram District, Congress workers of Cawnpore, who were wanted by the police since August 1942, are reported to have surrendered to the police.

The police have arrested two workers of the District Communist Party, namely, S. Ram Sewak and Vikram under section 129 of the Defence of India Rules.—A. P.

Viceroy Spurns Mahatma's Offer

(Continued from page 1)

the Congress, if a declaration of immediate Indian Independence is made and a National Government responsible to the Central Assembly be formed subject to the proviso, that during the pendency of the war, the military operations should continue as at present, but without involving any financial burden on India. If there is a desire on the part of the British Government for a settlement, friendly talks should take the place of correspondence. But I am in your hand. I shall continue to knock, so long as there is the least hope of an honourable settlement.

After the foregoing was written, I saw Lord Munster's speech in the House of Lords. The summary given by him in the House of Lords fairly represents my proposal. This summary may serve as a basis for mutual friendly discussion.

I am,
Yours Sincerely,
M. K. GANDHI.

His Excellency the Viceroy.

Wavell Bangs Door

NEW DELHI,
15th August 1944.

DEAR MR GANDHI,

Thank you for your letter of 27th July. Your proposals are:—

(I) That you should undertake to advise the Working Committee (a) "that in view of changed conditions, Mass Civil Disobedience envisaged by the resolution of August, 1942 cannot be offered", and (b) "That full co-operation in the war effort should be given by the Congress provided (II) That His Majesty's Government, (a) declare immediate Indian independence and (b) form a "National Government" responsible to the Central Assembly, "subject to the proviso that, during the pendency of the war, the military operations should continue as at present, but without involving any financial burden on India."

2. His Majesty's Government remain most anxious that a settlement of the Indian problem should be reached. But proposals such as those put forward by you are quite unacceptable to His Majesty's Government as a basis for discussion, and you must realise this, if you have read Mr. Amery's statement in the House of Commons on July 28th last. They are indeed very similar to the proposals made by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad to Sir Stafford Cripps in April, 1942, and His Majesty's Government's reasons for rejecting them are the same as they were then.

3. Without recapitulating all these reasons in detail I should remind you that His Majesty's Government at that time made it clear:

(a) That their offer of unqualified freedom after the cessation of hostilities was made conditional upon the framing of a constitution agreed by the main elements of Indian national life and the negotiation of the necessary treaty arrangements with His Majesty's Government;

(b) That it is impossible during the period of hostilities to bring about any change in the constitution, by which means alone a "National Government", such as you suggest, could be made responsible to the Central Assembly.

The object of these conditions was to ensure the fulfilment of their duty to safeguard the interests of the racial and religious Minorities, and of the Depressed Classes, and their treaty obligations to the Indian States.

4. It was upon the above conditions that His Majesty's Government invited Indian leaders to take part in an interim Government which would operate under the existing constitution.

I must make it quite clear that until the war is over, responsibility for defence and military operations cannot be divided from the other responsibilities of Government, and that until hostilities cease and the new constitution is in operation, His Majesty's Government and the Governor-General must retain their responsibility over the entire field.

So far as the question of India's share of the cost of the war is concerned, this is essentially a matter for settlement between His Majesty's Government on the one hand, and the Government of India on the other, and existing financial arrangements can only be reopened at the instance of one or the other.

5. It is clear in these circumstances that no purpose would be served by discussion on the basis which you suggest.

If, however, the leaders of the Hindus, the Muslims and the important minorities were willing to co-operate in a transitional Government established and working within the present constitution. I believe good progress might be made. For such a transitional Government to succeed, there must, before it is formed, be agreement in principle between the Hindus and Muslims and all important elements as to the method by which the new constitution should be framed. This agreement is a matter for Indians themselves. Until Indian leaders have come closer together than they are now, I doubt if I myself can do anything to help. Let me remind you too that minority problems are not easy. They are real, and can be solved only by mutual compromise and tolerance.

6. The period after the termination of hostilities for which the Transitional Government would last would depend on the speed with which the new constitution could be framed. I see no reason why preliminary work on that constitution should not begin as soon as the Indian leaders are prepared to co-operate to that end. If they can arrive at a genuine agreement as to the method of framing the constitution no unnecessary time need be spent after the war in reaching final conclusions and in agreeing to treaty arrangements with His Majesty's Government. There again, the primary responsibility rests on the Indian leaders

Yours, Sincerely,
WAVELL.

M. K. Gandhi, Esqr.

Silver Settlement Compromise Move

BOMBAY, Thursday.

Efforts are being made to come to some settlement about outstanding silver contracts. A private meeting of Chokseys was held to-day and after prolonged discussion of a committee of seven merchants was appointed. The committee met and decided that outstanding contracts should be settled at a price between Rs. 134 and Rs. 135. Mr. Lakdawalla, a prominent Choksey, is to make efforts to bring about a compromise between the parties.

14TH ARMY CROSSES INTO BURMA

Last Organised Japanese Fighting Force Expelled From Manipur State

KANDY, Aug. 17.

Alan Humphreys 'A. P.' special correspondent, wires:

The last organized Japanese fighting force has now been expelled from Manipur State in India.

The main body of the Fourteenth Army forces striking down the Tiddim Road who crossed the Burma border late yesterday, are now two miles inside Burma, it is officially announced to-day. Only such Japanese stragglers remain in Manipur. It is just over five months since the Japanese invaded India—an invasion which has become one of their greatest defeats.

Reinforcing Fourteenth Army men who are slogging eastward from Tamu towards the Chindwin, troops crossed the River Yu by ropeferry. Guns have also been ferrid over.

The Yu River is a tributary of the Chindwin and runs north-south through the Kabaw Valley. Tamu lies about 10 miles west of the river.

Air Offensive

To-day's SEAC Communique says: "Allied troops in the Taungni-Pinbaw area have consolidated their gains of yesterday. The area from Thaikwagon, north to Taungni along the road and railway, is now clear. Further slight progress has been made on the Tiddim Road."

"In fine weather R.A.F. aircraft of Eastern Air Command continued their offensive in strength against the retreating Japanese forces along the Tiddim Road, Kabaw Valley and Chindwin River areas.

"Long range U.S.A.A.F. and R.A.F. fighters again penetrated deeply into Central and Southern Burma striking at railways, bridges and rivercraft as far south as Rangoon.

"In North Burma, railway yards and enemy positions along the line from Pinbaw to Naba and areas to the north-east of Bhamo were again intensively attacked.

"In a sweep of the airfield at Lashio, U.S.A.A.F. fighters damaged six enemy aircraft on the ground.

"No Allied aircraft are missing."—A. P.

Call To Chinese In South Pacific

CHUNGKING: Foreshadowing early Allied offensive in South-East Asia generally, Hoying Ching, the Chinese Minister for War and Chief of the General Staff, in a broadcast appeal to the Chinese in South Pacific to assist operations of Allied forces said: "Your liberation is within sight."

Allied Bombers Over Philippines

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, Aug. 17:

Gen. MacArthur's 'communique said Allied air patrols bombed Davao wharf in the Philippines. Heavy and medium bombers attacking coastal installations at Lolabata in Moluccas destroyed or seriously damaged 11 parked aircraft and started large fires and explosions.

TRUK RAIDED

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, NEW GUINEA, Aug. 17: Admiral Chester Nimitz, C.-in-Chief, Pacific, has announced that 57 tons of bombs were dropped on Truk by the Seventh Army Air Force Liberators. One of the nine enemy aircraft which attempted to intercept was shot down. All the Liberators returned to the base.

AMERICAN PLANES RAID JAP OBJECTIVES IN PACIFIC

Gen. MacArthur's communique today reports Halmahera was raided while naval and air patrols swept all the coastlines of Vogelkop, Dutch New Guinea, and targets on New Ireland, New Britain and Bougainville.

Chinese Attack Hengyang Outskirts

CHUNGKING, August 16: Chinese forces around Hengyang in Hunan Province are maintaining attacks outside the city. But no substantial gains have been reported in the last 24 hours.

The U. S. Fourteenth Air Force kept up its offensive against the Japanese in operations extending from the Yangtse River Central China, to Formosa island and the Salween river front near the Burma border.

DEPRECIATION OF BRITISH CURRENCY

Goan Committee Of Action Appeals To Portuguese Govt. To End Racketeering

The Goan Committee of Action has sent a cable to the Portuguese Prime Minister and the Minister of Colonies, Lisbon, and a telegram to the Governor-General, Nova-Goa, protesting against the forced depreciation of British Indian currency in Goa, urging immediate measures against racketeers in currency and speculators in vital necessities of life, against the Banco Nacional Ultramarino which has ceased to conform to the Portuguese Law regulating exchange and the publication of monthly balance-sheet showing the actual issue of paper money. The monetary crisis in Goa arose from an order by the Government of Goa to its treasuries and public offices, in December 1940 when the Allied Cause was almost lost, to reject payments in British Indian currency. The result was that the people had to pay 20 to 25 per cent. discount to money changers to convert British currency into paper money of the Banco Nacional Ultramarino, as the Bank itself refused to meet the demand.

RICE SCARCITY

The situation was further aggravated by the rocketing of prices of foodstuffs, particularly rice for which Goa is almost entirely dependent on British India. Rationing has miserably failed in Goa as the Government is unable to satisfy the demand and the people are compelled to buy in the black market and pay over four times as much as they would pay in British India. Faced with starvation, Goans, mostly women and children dependent on remittances from breadwinners abroad, are flocking to Bombay and other places in British India.

Pre-censorship of the Press in Goe has blacked-out a desperate situation, which, unless immediate measures are taken will end in disaster. The Government can relieve the situation to a great extent by restoring the parity between the two currencies. In this matter, and in regard to the food situation in particular, an appeal to the British authorities is being made by the Goan Committee of Action.

The Government of Bombay has extended the Bombay (Districts) Building (Control of Construction) Order, 1944, to Ahmedabad City Mahal, Surat City surveyed area and Sholapur Municipal Borough.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"This fact is bound to persuade Mr. Jinnah not to attach any great importance to agreement with Mr. Gandhi. On the other hand, in view of the fact that Mr. Gandhi's possible agreement with Mr. Jinnah would not commit Hindu India, or even the Congress, that agreement cannot be the basis of a constitutional settlement. Why then raise false hopes only to be disappointed?"

—Comrade M. N. Roy's contribution to the solution of the Indian problem.

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The "March of Time" film is shortly going to tell Americans how the British Raj has given the Indian people "peace, security and life".

The producers and their inspirers have, unfortunately failed in one important aspect. They seem to have omitted the most conclusive and historic argument of perfect, leaves-nothing-to-desire Government; namely, a description of how the trains run to time.

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This film, we are also told, defines the Empire and Commonwealth as a "pattern of co-operation between nations without the sacrifice of sovereignty."

The film will sure make a hit with the sovereign nations of India, Burma, Malaya, Ceylon, Palestine, East Africa, Central Africa, Black South Africa, West Africa, Jamaica, etc.

In the liberal sense.

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Meanwhile it has already made a hit with us. And we are experiencing a strong longing to have a good look at the producers, especially Mrs. Clare Booth Luce, and to exchange a few words with them.

Particularly on the subject of that vital omission, you know.

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Mr. Edward J. Stettinius, the U.S. Under Secretary of State, has presented a six-point plan for consideration at the International Security Conference.

Even without denying its merits, we suggest a much better substitute which is less tediously elaborate and quite direct and instantaneously effective. Mr. Stettinius, collaborating with "March of Time," should present to the Conference a One-point plan of amalgamating the world into "the British Empire and Commonwealth", and *hey presto*, there will, in no time, descend upon humanity the consolidated boon of global "peace, security and life" and also punctual trains as soon as transport facilities are available.

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In the opinion of an eminent Madras journalist, "today Reuters may claim to be the best organised service of the world."

They may because nothing can prevent them making that claim today.

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LIGHT FROM SECOND FRONT

Reuters' report that 1,200 German tanks and 60,000 out of the 100,000 bagged Germans have succeeded in escaping through the Falaise gap.

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POLES MAINTAIN INITIATIVE IN BATTLE OF WARSAW

—Headline.

So do the Russians—in denouncing them.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Gabriel himself will play the last trump in the game of life.

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If a man thinks only of himself he hasn't much use for brains.

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Alimony is a salve used by some to heal the wound made by Cupid's dart.

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There is method in some people's madness, it is said, but method never yet saved madness from disaster.

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Some poets say that the angels are all blondes but that doesn't prove that all the blondes are angels.

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Some men haven't sense enough to let well enough alone. When one girl refuses to marry them they ask another.

Hard To Follow Mahatma

Mahatma Gandhi appeals to us to rediscover the essential reality of our faith. I admit that his passionate words have touched our souls. But I also contend that without a belief in strategy a struggle becomes meaningless.

If we claim for Gandhi the supreme gift of a strategist then his technique must fulfil the needs of a mass society. The pure Gandhism is the complete man. Few can rise to that heroic stature.

What good is Gandhism? Unless a determined minority swells the ranks of that seekers tribe the nation can never enter the great temple of freedom. Only the highly-evolved Gandhi can behold the eternal truths. Our weak knees have no strength to climb the altar steps of truth. It is hard to follow the Mahatma because of his cognised concentration upon a theme which is the highest of all themes+loyalty to truth.

Y. G. KRISHNAMURTI.

Peaceful Alibaba Turns An Outlaw

The other day when Alibaba with his forty gangsters came here in the Garrison talkies, a bit of curiosity was aroused among the audience. A yank who was sitting next to me whispered "that isn't the old guy."

Hollywood has given us an entirely different version of "Alibaba and forty thieves". The story has been so radically altered that it retains nothing but the skeleton of the original version. According to the new rendering Alibaba is no more a pauper labouring with this donkey, instead a son of a Chaleeph whom the mysteries of fortune drop on the mountain of Sesame, when he is hardly in teens He is brought up among the thieves, and is accepted as their leader when they come to know that he is the son of a murdered Chaleeph. For years Alibaba conducts them in their daily campaigns and finally leads them as deliverers against the usurper Mongolian Khan.

Hollywood producers should remember that there existed a person who wrote the most fascinating stories in the world—the Arabian Nights Would it not be a grave injustice to his memory if such radically altered versions of the stories of "Alibaba and forty thieves", "The thief of Baghdad" and a jumble of few stories termed as "Arabian Night" are not even preceded by "With apologies to the author"?

H. A. NAKHOODA.

MADRAS, Aug. 16.—Dr. M. S Krishnan, Geologist and Mr M S Balasundaram, Assistant Geologist, Geological Survey of India, have submitted a report to the Government on iron-ore deposits near Ramallkota on Kurnool District.

DEATH DUTY ISSUE IN FEDERAL COURT

Government Wants Guidance On Levy Of Duty By Legislature

NEW DELHI August 16.

Before the Federal Court today arguments started on whether the Court should entertain reference by the Governor-General under Sec. 213 of the Government of India Act for the opinion of the Court on the question whether the Federal Legislature has the power to provide by Law for levy of estate duty in respect of property other than agricultural land passing upon the death of any person and other connected matters, and report their opinion.

Sir B. L. Mitter, Advocate-General, Government of India arguing said: "Though it is not mandatory for the Court to report, it is a proper case in which the Governor-General is entitled to come before the Court for opinion and the Court ought to assist the Governor-General so far as it is possible for the court to answer."

Arguments are continuing.

It may be recalled that the Government referred the matter to the Federal Court for opinion as doubts arose as to whether the Legislature was competent to levy such a duty.—United Press.

Relief To Indebted Madras Farmer

MADRAS, Aug. 16: Relief exceeding four crores and 83 lakhs of rupees has been afforded to indebted agriculturists in the Presidency during the past 76 months by way of scaling down their debts under the Madras Agriculturists Relief Act, 1938, according to a Press Note issued today.—A. P.

VISWABHARATI PRINCIPAL FOR BOMBAY

WARDHA, Aug. 16: Mr. Anil Kumar Chanda, Principal, Viswabharati Shantiniketan, left for Bombay after meeting Gandhiji.—United Press

His Highness the Maharaja Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, performed the opening ceremony of the Sheth Padamshi Hirji Girls' English School at Khambhalia on Aug. 9.

PROFESSION & PRACTICE

One Day Strikes And Go-Slow Methods In Ceylon

COLOMBO, Aug. 12.

Declaring open the Government Glass Factory at Nattandiya this evening Admiral Sir Geoffrey Layton, Commander-in-Chief, Ceylon, stated:

"On more than one occasion, lately, labour leaders have used from their platforms many praiseworthy phrases about assisting the war effort, but unfortunately these fair words have not been supported by actions. We have seen too much of one-day strikes, go-slow policy in the factories and elsewhere, and the disregarding of the awards of the Special Tribunals. Trades Union leaders must not forget that they have a responsibility both to the employers and to the community as well as the members of their Union. It is discouraging to say the least, when it is found that the result of raising wages is to increase absenteeism to as much as 33-1/3 per cent. It is impossible to take seriously the demands for higher wages of men who are only willing to work four days a week.—A.P.

French Press & Foreign Control

ALGIERS.

M. Henri Bonnet, the French Commissioner for Information, stated on Thursday night that the French Provisional Government, on the proposal of the resistance movements, has issued an ordinance fixing the conditions of the management of newspapers with which the owners or the most importan' shareholders and, in the case of companies, the responsible manager must comply. The ordinance orde s periodical publication of the resources of newspapers in order to avoid any secret publicity or acceptance of funds or advantages from foreign governments. It also provides for the creation of technical committees which will give advice on the technical working of the paper but not on political or editorial matters. The statement makes it clear that measures taken on June 22 regarding the press for the period of the Allied landing, are purely temporary.

The ordinance further states that in future every issue of a daily, weekly or monthly paper must, following its title, bear the name of the real owner together with his profession and nationality, and in the case of joint stock companies must publish a list of the board of directors. Shares in newspaper companies henceforth must not be bearer shares and a person holding the majority of the capital must become the responsible managing editor. Neither direct nor indirect subsidies from foreign governments in any form whatever may be accepted by the owners on pain of five years' imprisonment. The new law is based on the law governing the French press, the law of July 1861.—Reuter.

REGULATION OF CLOTH TRADE

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, Aug. 16.

In order to avoid unnecessary interference by police under Textile Control Order and remove several difficulties experienced by cloth dealers an important scheme was passed by joint meeting of Maskati Mahajan and Panch Koova Mahajan held under the Chairmanship of Sheth Bhogilal Sutriya. It appears that by this scheme cloth merchants will be able to maintain their century old trade in present critical period. Under this scheme every member has to inform Mahajan Office about particulars of his monthly quota upto tenth of next month and along with this the sale list is also to be furnished. Explaining this scheme Secretary of Maskati Mahajan, Mr. Ramanlal Jani said that several allegations had been made against cloth merchants in the press and public. In order to maintain the fair name of cloth associations this scheme has been proposed, so that Government need not interfere in our trade as it has interfered in grain trade. Now there is no time to turn a deaf ear towards warnings given by authorities".

PROVINCIAL LOANS SUBSCRIBED.

The six Provincial Loans, Bombay, Madras, Central Provinces and Berar, United Provinces, Sind and the Punjab, remained open till the close of Tuesday, the 15th August 1944, and were fully subscribed after a call on the underwriters for the balance not covered by public subscription.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

SHARES:—The local Share Bazar was quiet to-day and buyers were cautious. The recent rapid rise in Steel shares weakened the technical position and to-day there was some realising. Excessive speculative activity on the Calcutta Stock Exchange has drawn the attention of the Board and its members are required to submit statements of open business of

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ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

T. S. Ord. (412) 410/8 11 9 10 11 10/8 7/8 8/8 8 7/8 8/8 7/8 fall Rs. 4/8.

T. S. Dfd. (2212/8) 2205 2196/4 2201/4 2197/8 2207/8 10 2188/12 95 88/12 90 85 88/12 86/4 fall Rs. 26.

Dyeing (1875) 1877/8 68/12 73/12 78/12 75 77/8 66/4 70 65 60 58/12 62/8 58/12 fall Rs. 16.

Kohinoor (626) 624 21 24 21 22 20 fall Rs. 6.

Swadesh (543) 541 40 42 40 39 fall Rs. 4.

Nagpur (419/8) 419 15/8 18/8 16 17 16 fall Rs. 3.

Simplex (254) 253/8 52/8 54/8 52/8 53 52 53 fall Re. 1.

New Great (411) 409 9/8 10 9 8 8/8 fall Rs. 2/8.

Indore (791/4) 775 72/8 87 80 82 86 fall Rs. 5/4.

Burma (537/8) 540 47/8 41/4 38/12 42/8 Rise Rs. 5.

Cement (288/4) 239/8 38/8 39/8 39 39/12 39/4 38/12 39/4 Rise Re. 1.

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four most speculative counters. The local market is fortunate in this respect as outside participation is very little. Tata Steel Dfd shares opened to-day at a loss of Rs. 12 at Rs. 2200 and sagged to Rs. 2195 and steadied at Rs. 2197 Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 410 and were quiet at Rs. 409. Bombay Dyeings opened Rs. 5 lower at Rs 1870 and quietened at Rs. 1867, Kohinoors opened at Rs. 622 and changed hands at Rs. 621, Cements were steady at Rs. 239 while Bombay Burmas were firm at Rs. 550.

Later on there was increased realising and quotations kept on sagging. The market is awaiting dividend on Bombay Dyeings, Burma Shares also reacted on advance of demand.

BULLION: Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar Sterling Cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03 at New York. London Spot and Forward Silver quotation were unchanged at 23-1/2 d. and New York Spot Silver was placed at 44-3/4 cents.

This afternoon there will be an informal meeting of the members of the Bullion Exchange After yesterday's High Court decision there remains only cash business and some believe that forward contracts automatically become cash ones. In the meantime the market is awaiting the decision of the Board. To-day the Bank sold 200 bars of Silver at Rs. 133/3 to Rs. 133/6 and Spot Silver was quoted at Rs. 134/2. Gold sales were reported to the extent of about forty thousand tolas at Rs. 75/7 from the Bank and the market rate was Rs. 75/8.

Later on the market was irregular. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 133/12 and ready Gold at Rs. 75/12.

COTTON:—The local Cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 404 for September delivery and improved to Rs. 404/8 under scattered covering. At this level there appeared some long liquidation and price declined to Rs. 403/8 but steadied at Rs. 404. There is utter absence of any fresh business and the present state looks like continuing till trading in new crop months begin which will probably be the first week of the next month.

In the afternoon the market was quiet with a restricted turnover, but towards the close there was short covering and September improved to Rs. 405. The market closed at 6 p m as under:—

I.C.C. September Rs. 404 12 0

COTTON PARITY: Indian Cotton September contract is 589 cent points under New York October at Exchange rate 331.

PRODUCE: The local produce market was quiet to-day with a restricted business. Groundnut Oil was easy at Rs. 10/12 in retail while tank quotation was Rs. 10/4. Groundnuts Bombay Bold were quoted at Rs. 15/14 and Goa delivery was quoted at Rs. 15/15. Khandesh quality was quoted at Rs. 16/14. Castorseeds were placed at Rs. 16/5. Linseed small was quoted at Rs. 14/3 while C. P. quality was placed at Rs. 15/11. Tone was quiet with less enquiry.

AGGRESSIVE BUYING IN N. Y. COTTON MARKET.

New York, Aug. 16.

Reports that the farm bloc is now seeking 97 per cent parity loans with proposing to base textile ceilings at 105 per cent of staple parity together with somewhat larger than expected July consumption figures and continued dryness in the west with ehe unfavourable features of the weekly weather report stimulated trade and other buying and then sagged slightly on local realising. Prices rallied on renewed buying on further considerations of the farm bloc's price-lifting ideas. Latterly the session turned firm on aggressive fixations scarcity of contracts and renewal of farm block activities which outweighed continued favourable news and early peace talks. The market closed very steady.

NEW YORK COTTON.

October 21.49+19, December 21.32+21, January 21.25+22, March 21.12+23, May 20.90+23, July 20.66+22, October highest 21.52+22 (2-53 p.m.), lowest 21.31+01 (10-16 a.m.), Middling Spot 22.24+19.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

October 21.50+19, December 21.32+18, January 21.21+24, March 21.15+24, May 20.95+25, July 20.68+22, Middling Spot 21.40+20.

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

October 21.38, December 21.20, March 20.99.

WALL STREET MARKET.

New York, Aug. 16.

Anaconda Copper Mining	26-3/8+3/8
General Motors	62-1/2—1/4
U. S Steel Corporation	59-1/8+1

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Aug. 16.

Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p o £72-3/8 Consols 2½ p o £79-1/2, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961 £104-7/8, War Loan 3-1/2 p c £103-13/16, Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/9 £113-5/8, Victory Bonds 4 p c £111-9/16, Chartered Bank of I. A. & China £12-1/8, Honkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg.) £85. National Bank of India £42-1/2.

HAPUR QUOTATIONS.

HAPUR, Aug. 17.

Wheat 10/4. Average Quality 9/12, Gram 7/14, Barley 6/4, Peas 7/3, Arhar 7/4, Gur 6 to 7. Oats 9. Arrivals of Wheat increased Gawar Bhadon 6/b Urd Maha 11/8/1-1/2, Moong Bhadon 8/12, Maha 10/12, Bardana 52/4. Mangsir 53/10. Silver 132/8.

RAJKOT Aug. 17: Silver Rs. 124. Groundnut Oil Bhadarva Rs. 15/6/6. Posh Rs. 15/11/6.

JAMNAGAR, Aug. 17: Silver Rs. 124. Groundnut Oil Rs. 15/12.

BHUJ, Aug. 17: Cutch Hundi Koris 316.

CALICUT QUOTATIONS.

CALICUT, Aug. 17.

Cocoanuts Raw Rs. 65/70 Dry Rs. 90/91. Cocoanut Oil Rs. 315. Copra Office Rs. 187/8, Dilpasand 210, Madrasnotam Rs. 230, Goodgooda Rs. 255. Pepper Wynaad Rs. 300. Country Rs 287/8. Dry Ginger Chernad Rs. 190. Ernad Rs 186, Coffee Robusta Rs. 110.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA.

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 11th August 1944:

LIABILITIES: Capital paid up Rs. 5,00,00,000. Reserve Fund Rs. 5,00,00,000. Deposits:—(a) Government (1) Central Government of India Rs. 113,45,25,000. (2) Government of Burma Rs. 1,50,85,000, (3) Other Government Accounts Rs. 11,62,82,000. (b) Banks Rs. 104,22,24,000. (c) Others Rs. 10,66,02,000, Bills Payable Rs. 2,03,25,000, Other Liabilities Rs. 6,05,62,000. Rupees 259,56,05,000.

ASSETS: Notes Rs. 10,52,87,000. Rupee Coin Rs. 22,71,000, Subsidiary Coin Rs. 1,67,000. (c) Government Treasury Bills Rs. 96,93,000, Balances held abroad* Rs. 232,57,37,000. Investments Rs. 11,12,30,000. Other Assets Rs. 4,12,20,000. Rupees 259,56,05,000.

* Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

IMPERIAL BANK OF INDIA.

Statement of the Affairs of the Imperial Bank of India on the 11th August, 1944.

LIABILITIES.

CAPITAL:—Rs. 5,62,50,000, Reserve Fund Rs. 5,92,50,000, Fixed Deposit, Savings Bank, Current and other Accounts Rs. 228,30,87,000, Sundries Rs. 69,45,000. Rupees 240.55,32,000.

ASSETS.

INVESTMENTS:—Government Securities Rs. 131,96,12,000, Other Authorised Investments Rs. 3,70,15,000, ADVANCES-Loans 12,53,59,000, Cash Credits and Overdrafts Rs. 42,12,88,000, Bills Discounted and Purchased Rs. 4,78,70,000, Dead Stock Rs. 1,68,83,000. Sundries Rs. 74,69,000, cash in hand and with the Reserve Bank of India Rs. 42,77,09,000, Balances with other Banks Rs. 23,27,000, Rupees 240.55 32,000.

MONEY MARKET.

Bombay, Aug. 17.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 1/4 1 and 2 months, 1/6 9/32 3 and 4 months.

B. C. RATES: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 1/8.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs. 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 328 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2.

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 294 3/4.

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Steady, Dull.

Reserve Banks Rate 3 p c. Bank of England Rate 2 p c.

Money:—Call one and two months 1/4 p c, 3 to 5 months 1/2 p c, 6 to 11 months 3/4 p c, 12 months 1 1/4 p c.

Tone:—Very Easy.

Dena Bank Capital Increased

Devkaran Nanjee Banking Co., Ltd., having obtained the consent of the Central Government, have issued further Capital of Rs. 30 Lakhs divided into 60,000 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 50 each at a premium of Rs. 15 per Share. These Shares have been offered to the Shareholders in the Proportion of three New Shares for every two Shares held by them. The Authorised Capital of the Bank has also been increased to Rs. One Crore.

The Dena Bank recently declared an Interim Dividend at Six per cent. per annum tax-free.

Evolving Of Rules For Country Craft

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have sent the following telegram to the Government of India (War Transport Department and Commerce Department):—"Committee Indian Merchants Chamber have received representations from trade and other interests concerned drawing their attention to the fact that in view of the increased traffic now being carried by country crafts it is necessary to evolve rules and regulations for the safety of the craft and in regard to the conditions under which cargo is carried. Rules and regulations should be framed for the registration annual renewal seaworthiness and survey of craft before licences are issued. Regulations should be laid down for the loading capacity of craft so that they may not be overloaded. Report of cases of jettisoning should be made obligatory. Proper salvage and rescue facilities between centres should be ensured; unmanifested cargo should not be allowed to be loaded. These regulations it is considered are necessary for inspiring greater confidence in those who utilise that service as well as for purpose of getting proper banking and insurance facilities. Committee would be pleased if Government would take early steps for issuing such rules and regulations in consultation with interests concerned."

The Half-Column "By Dim"

A great deal of speculation arose from Michael Foot's resignation from the editorship of the *Evening Standard*, following the publication of his book, THE TRIAL OF MUSSOLINI. Gossip said that he was sacked from the job for writing the book. He was not sacked and remains on good terms with his employer, Lord Beaverbrook, who according to a London paper "includes among his assortment of good and bad qualities, a remarkable capacity for tolerating the heresies of his staff." Editor and proprietor apparently both agreed that the editorship of a paper like the *Evening Standard* was not really compatible with writing personal political polemics. The upshot of it all was that Foot ceased to edit the *Evening Standard* and was to write signed articles for the Beaverbrook press Of Foot, the "New Statesman and Nation" says: "But we are bound to miss Foot from the *Standard*. Foot is almost alone among young writers in having that fire in his belly that used to consume the great generation of crusading journalists."

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To judge the difference between the B.B.C feature—BRAINS TRUST—and our local edition here is a bit of news which appears in a London paper. It shows how seriously this feature is taken in England, even though the particular case in point is somewhat unfortunate:

When a man was charged at Belfast Police Court to-day with attempted suicide, it was stated that he had tried to gas himself after he had heard Dr. Joad express the view in a "Brains Trust" broadcast that it was a man's privilege to commit suicide if he found life unendurable.

The Stipendiary, Mr. J. H. Campbell, K.C., remanding the man, said: "Surely there is no sense in paying heed to Joad."—*Birmingham Mail.*

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It is revealed that when Mr. Pethick Lawrence opened the debate on famine in India, there were not more than 35 members present in the House of Commons. An English daily excuses this by saying that it was LUNCH TIME! The sense of humour of certain English papers is colossal.

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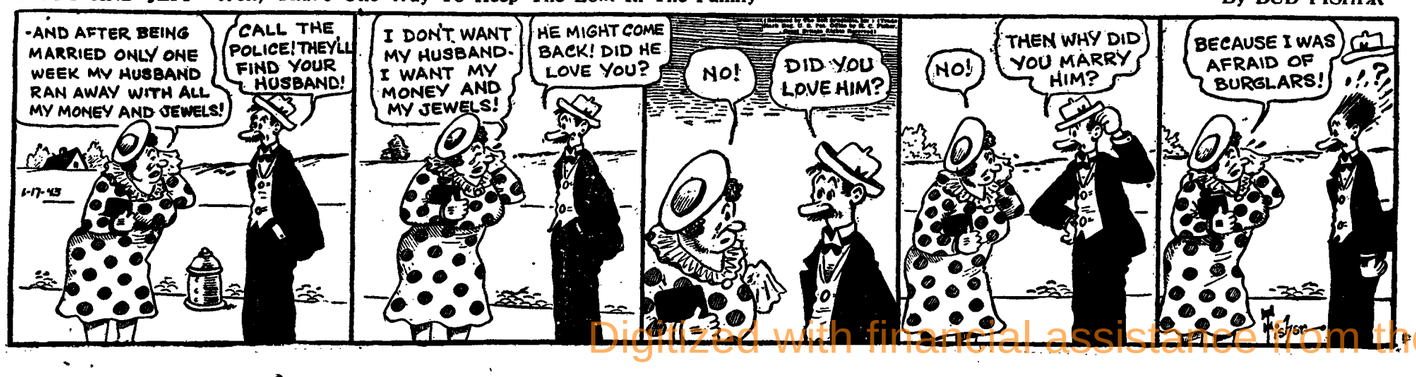
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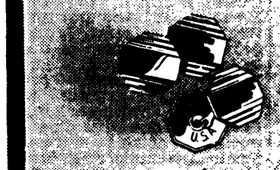

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IN THE MATTER OF THE INDIAN COMPANIES' ACT 1913 AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INDIAN CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, In Voluntary Liquidation.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of THE INDIAN CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, (In Voluntary Liquidation), will be held at 12 Noon (S.T.), on TUESDAY, the 5th day of September, 1944, at the Registered Office of the Company at Esplanade House, Waudby Road, Fort, Bombay, pursuant to Section 208 (D) of the Indian Companies' Act 1913.

J. H. PATEL,
Liquidator.

Esplanade House,
Waudby Road, Fort, Bombay.
Dated, 18th August, 1944.

To The Shareholders of the Indian Cement Company, Limited, (In Voluntary Liquidation), and in particular to:
Mr. Ubaldo Gabriel Silveira, Mrs. Mary Ellen Waddington and Mr. Leonard Mortimer Baines. (9955)

SECRETARY, PUNJAB AND N.-W. F.P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE.

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G.I.P. RAILWAY

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THE TATA OIL MILLS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificates for Fifty Shares No. 56270|56274; 209228|209232; 33185|33189; 56875|56879; 28503|28507; 30296|30300; 55855|55859; 44016|44020; 191728; 92400; 92399; 22249; 55745; 89025|89029: of the above named Company registered in my name have been burnt or lost. Any persons claiming in respect of these Shares should lodge their claim at the Registered Office of the Company, Bombay House, 24 Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, within one month from this date, otherwise the Company will proceed with the issue of duplicate Certificates.

(Sd.) NANJI LAKHDIR,
Shareholder.

Bombay, 17th August, 1944. (9960)

SECRETARY, PUNJAB AND N.W.F.P. JOINT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, LAHORE

INVITES APPLICATIONS from British subjects of Asiatic domicile and subjects of notified Punjab States statutory agriculturists Punjabis, Muslims and Hindus preferred on or before the 11th September, 1944 on prescribed form (obtainable free) accompanied by treasury or M.O. receipt for Rs. 5|- for two posts—for the duration of War—of TEMPORARY ASSISTANT ENGINEER (ELECTRICAL) in the office of the Electrical Engineer to Govt. Punjab. Age: Between 25 and 35 years—relaxable for Govt. servants and otherwise suitable candidates. Qualifications:—Degree or Diploma in Electrical Engineering recognised for recruitment to the P.S.E. P.W.D. (Electricity Branch): or Corporate Member of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, London; or Associate member of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, London: (candidates possessing B.Sc. (Eng.) (Aligarh) will be considered provisionally pending Govt.'s decision regarding the recognition of this degree) sound practical training in Electrical Engineering and preferably 2 or 3 years' experience in a salaried post in Electrical Engineering Department. Pay:—Rs. 200-15-275|15-470|15-500-20-600 p.m. initial pay according to qualifications and experience. Government servants eligible. Further particulars on application. (9953)

PUBLIC NOTICES

THE BHARAT SPINNING AND WEAVING CO. LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company "Gool Mansion" Homji Street, Fort, Bombay on TUESDAY, the 12th day of September, 1944, at 5 P.M. (S.T.) to transact the following business.

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance sheet and Profit and Loss Account made upto 31st March 1944.
2. To sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who being eligible offer themselves for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditor or Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix his or their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 1st day of September to SATURDAY, the 23rd day of September, 1944, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
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Managing Agents.

Bombay 16th August. 1944.

N.B.—Dividend if sanctioned as recommended by the Directors will be paid on and after Monday the 18th day of September 1944 between 12 Noon and 3 P.M. (S.T.) Dividend warrants will be posted to the last Registered address of the Shareholders. 9958

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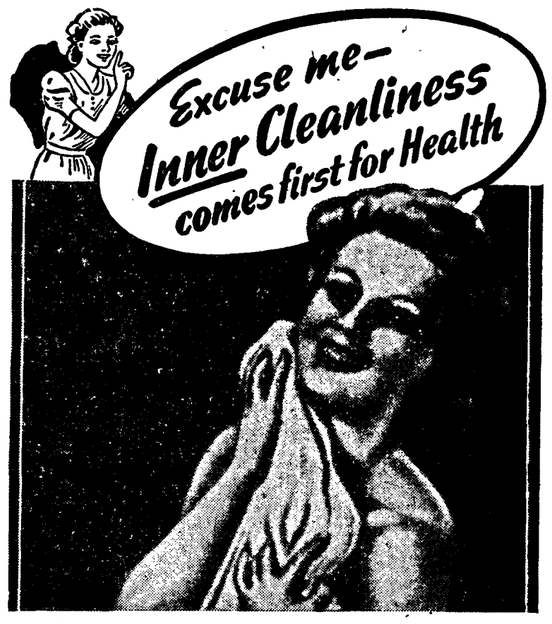

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